



Utah Elk Newsletter

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- ◆ Golden Spike #719 (801) 773-1682
- ◆ Park City #734 (435) 649-9960
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- ◆ Price #1550 (435) 637-1550
- ◆ Cedar City #1556 (435) 586-8332
- ◆ Tooele #1673 (435) 249-0192
- ◆ St George #1743 (435) 673-1743
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GLEN SMITH, UTAH ELKS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT
FIRST LADY, JERI SMITH

Jeri and I are excited to see you all again at the 2025 Fall Meeting. I think we have some interesting sessions planned for you and hope you will take advantage of them. We had a great time at the Grand Lodge Convention in Kansas City this year and really enjoyed spending time with all the Utah Elks that attended. I had the privilege of carrying the new Utah State Flag onto the stage in the opening ceremonies. It was a very memorable experience, and I really enjoyed it. Hortic and Suzanne did a fantastic job of taking care of us all. Jesse and Bernadette made us all proud with a 5 Star rating in the booth judging. And we all need to thank Sharon for doing such a good job taking care of the hospitality room. It was a great way to meet Elks from all over the US.

Jeri and I have our visitations now planned for about half of the Utah Lodges and will start our travels in August. We should have the rest of the lodges scheduled soon and are looking forward to visiting with each of you. Please let me know if you have any suggestion if we have not already confirmed with you.

I think it's going to be a nice change of pace to have our fall meeting at the Golden Spike this year. I know Lisa has been working hard on getting things ready for us and taking care of all the arrangements, and I really appreciate her efforts. Brian has been working hard on the agenda and it should be out soon. We will have the honor of a visit from Tim Jaeger who is next year's incoming GER. It will be nice to be able to meet Tim and find out more about him. Again, we are looking forward to seeing you all there and wish you all safe travels.

Glen Smith, UEA President



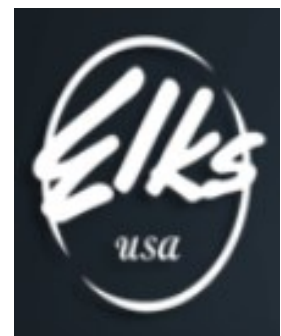
UTAH ELKS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT
ELECT
JESSE GALLO, AND HIS WIFE
BERNADETTE

Good evening fellow members and guests, Bernadette and myself are looking forward to seeing you all at our Fall Meeting that is being hosted by Golden Spike lodge #719. I'm hoping you enjoyed your summer and all the festivities and cookouts. Although we were in our summer break with lodge meetings I noticed that all the lodges had great things happening like golf tournaments and 4th of July parades and BBQs, but the biggest was Grand Lodge Convention in Kansas City and seeing our new district deputies being installed. Congratulations to DD South Mr. Wayne Barnes and DD North Mr. Jay Averett. It was also an honor to see our very own State President Mr. Glen Smith proudly carry our State Flag during open ceremony along with Mr. Ron Brooks proudly display our Elks Flag. Now with the fall meeting upon us we will get back to work continuing on with our UEA goals, With that we will have some great dignitaries who will be present Hon. Jim Grillo Utah Co-Sponsor, Hon. Robert Duitsman Utah Co-Sponsor, Past Grand Trustee Chairman Tim Jaeger, Our Special Deputy Robert Pagnani, and our new Area 7 Fraternal Committeeman Jared Wanlass. I am confident that they will see that Utah has very informative meetings with a side of fun.

Thank you all for being the "Best People On Earth" and see you in September.

Fraternally,

Jesse Gallo, UEA 1st Vice President



UTAH ELKS ASSOCIATION
1ST VICE PRESIDENT
SHARON GOETZMAN



It was so great to see so many of our Lodge Officers at Grand Lodge Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Our time at Grand Lodge Convention provided us with the opportunity to learn and grow, to further get to know our Officers, and enjoy time with one and all.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Fall Meeting hosted by Golden Spike Elks Lodge. We will be welcoming back our State Sponsors PGER Robert Duitsman and his wife Beth and PGER Jim Grillo and his wife Lucia. I know that there is a great agenda planned out for all who will be attending.

I am so excited about this year and assuming my new role as your 2nd Vice President. I really appreciate your support. It's going to be a great year for the Utah Elks.

Fraternally,

Sharon Goetzman



A Message from Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler

Welcome all Utah Elks Association members and guests to our 2025 Fall Meeting. We all want to welcome back our state sponsors, Jim and Lucia Grillo, PGER and

Bob and Beth Duitsman, PGER. Congratulations to our State President Glenn Smith and First Lady Geri for representing our state at Grand Lodge. Glenn looked great carrying our state flag.

At this Fall Meeting we also have the immense pleasure of welcoming Endorsed Candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler for 2026-2027 Tim Jaeger and wife Sandy from California. Let's give them a warm Utah welcome and show them what a great state we are. They have been to our state before when Tim was CHEA President.

The Utah Elks Veterans Program would also like to thank everyone who volunteered to make Little Warriors Camp another successful year!

Remember members, these meetings are for you to gain knowledge, participate in as many meetings as you can and to make suggestions to the Advisory Board on what to have at future meetings.

Remember members: Section 12.020 Opinions (06) An Exalted Ruler's power of appointment is confined strictly to Members of their Lodge except the appointment of a Presiding Justice of the Local Forum and a Mediator under Section 13.020.

Remember "It's up to you to Be The Difference this year.

Thank you, Robert D. Pagnani SDGER Utah



Hello all, I hope this finds you well on your way to another successful hoop shoot year. By now you should be locking in your locations and getting your date posted in the dashboard. I look forward to assisting any of you with any help needed to make your hoop shoot a suc-

cess. Please help support your local lodge hoop shoot. This is a job where many volunteers are needed.

Greg and I are looking forward to working with you and our new adventure as Area 7 Regional Director. Thank you all for this opportunity to once again serve doing what I love.
HOOP SHOOT!!

Respectfully Utah State Hoop Shoot Chairman Brenda Shaw





Hello Utah Elks!

Well...after this past year, can we do it again? I know we can!! And even more! At this writing, the State is at \$40,005.60. We are already doing it again!! Thank you!

Just reminders: If you are a Lodge ENF Chair, be sure to go into Elks.org and sign up to be the ENF Chair. This is huge, you can do so much, check on your donors, see the different grants that can be applied for your Lodge, do the Chair Challenge, which then in turns gets you more grant monies. If you have problems, or issues please let me know. I love to help and would be so willing to get you all caught up to date! Also, remember, get your money in early. The earlier, the better!

Remember, Elks Care Elks Share!

Lil Barnes, ENF Chair, Utah Elks Association



I hope this finds everyone well rested and ready for another great year with LOE. I have been laid back at Bear Lake. But I and Sec. Virginia Hansen drove from St. George to Cedar City for a visitation. It was Purse Bingo and a fun afternoon. They had a huge crowd and treated Virginia and I very nicely. Kudos to all of Cedar City LOE and Tiffani Graf.

August will find me driving to Vernal for another visitation. I look forward to seeing our newest organization and their area.

September 5th and 6th is the UEA Fall Meeting at the Golden Spike Lodge in Ogden. Hope to see many of you there. Friday at 4:30 is the fun Park City meeting. This is my official visitation for them. Sat morning, we get down to business: 8:30 is Board Meeting and 9:00 is our General Meeting. All of these are at the Lodge. After the meeting is for the Project people to see what wonderful raffle items we have.

Debra Ward Project Chairman has made an Elks Quilt, and I have collected several valuable surprises as well. You don't want to miss these. Then at 11 the Past Presidents Recognition takes place. This is a time to let the Past Presidents know they are still appreciated. The lunch at noon is open to all attending, please fill out the registration form.

Travel safely this year and let's all have fun with all the work we do.

God Bless and Bear Hugs,

Jan Frisbey, Pres. Utah LOE



Utah Elks Membership

Fall Report

If you were there you know, but have you heard? Utah is an up-and-coming Powerhouse. This statement was made by Rick Gathen (Grand Lodge Membership & Marketing Director) at the Grand Lodge Convention in Kansas City. In the last three years, Utah has gone from a plus one membership gain to 204 membership gain for 2024-2025. I applaud all of our Lodges for working to bring more Elks into the Order. I hope that we can continue to grow at this pace or higher. There is a ton of information on elks.org to help us sell the opportunities that being an Elk gives us all. Many of our uninformed citizens think that we are just another bar. But as we know that just is not true. We need to enlighten the citizens of our communities about what the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks really does. There was a dollar amount from the donations that we as Elks have been credited with. This number comes from the cash donations that we make but it also comes from the hours that we volunteer, the miles that we drive to support our charities and programs and the non-cash donations that we make. That number is more than \$520,000,000.00 last year.

Now really, who wouldn't want to be a part of the greatest organization in the country?

All we need to do is tell our story.

Please spread the word and tell our story.

Fraternally,

Wayne Barnes

Utah Elks Membership Chairperson

**UTAH ELKS ASSOCIATION
2025 FALL MEETING
GOLDEN SPIKE ELKS LODGE #719
SEPTEMBER 4 - 7, 2025**

Golden Spike Elks Lodge #719 - Welcomes you to the 2025 UEA Fall Meeting

PLEASE PREREGISTER SO FOOD CAN BE ORDERED!

Please return to Golden Spike Elks Lodge #719, Attn: Fall Meeting

1875 West 5200 South - Roy, Utah 84067

Make your checks payable to Golden Spike Elks Lodge #719

Name: _____

Lodge: _____

Spouse: _____

DAY	MEAL	MENU	TIME	PRICE	NO	AMOUNT
Thursday	Dinner	Hamburger/Hotdog w/fixings	6:30pm	\$10.00		
Friday	Lunch	Potato/Nacho Bar	Noon	\$10.00		
	Dinner	Alfredo w/salad & breadstick	6:30pm			
		Alfredo w/chicken		\$15.00		
		Alfredo (no chicken)		\$15.00		
Saturday	Lunch	Soup (Variety)	Noon	\$10.00		
	PDD	Soup (Variety) Spouses invited pay at luncheon	Noon	TBD		-
	Dinner	Please Select Your Choice	6:30pm			
		Souhaki (pork)		\$25.00		
		Salmon		\$25.00		
Registration - All UEA Members - Before August 22, 2025				\$10.00		
Registration - LOE Members				\$10.00		
Registration -UEA Members - AT THE DOOR				\$35.00		
TOTAL AMOUNT INCLOSED					\$	

Hotel Information

Tru - By Hilton

640 North Falcon Hill Drive - Clearfield, Utah

385-245-1305

Hotel Rate is \$107.00 (Not including taxes)

Block is under: Golden Spike Elks

Hotel Reservation Cutoff Date is Friday, August 29, 2025

PLEASE PLEASE REGISTER FOR MEAL BEFORE 8/22/25 SO FOOD CAN BE ORDERED!

With food cost the way they are, we need to order and plan early, so if you wait to order at

meeting you might be able to purchase a food ticket!!!!

Golden Spike Elks Lodge - gselks719.treasurer@gmail.com - 801-232-7349

MILES:	HOURS:	EXPENSE:
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Utah Elks Association 2025 Fall Meeting Agenda

***Meetings are scheduled for all UEA Members to attend. We are encouraging all members to attend the Fall Meeting and attend all the meetings provided.

ALL UEA MEETINGS & MEALS WILL BE HELD AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE ELKS LODGE

Thursday, September 4, 2025

5:00pm – 7:00pm Registration – Social Quarters Entrance Way

6:30pm Dinner – Dining Room Dress: Casual

Friday, September 5, 2025

8:00am – 11:00am Registration – Social Quarters Entrance Way

9:00am UEA General Meeting – Lodge Room

Dress: RED SHIRT FRIDAY – For Veterans

State Officers: coat and tie

Members: coat & tie or business casual (collar shirt)

Call to order promptly at 9:00am

Introductions

- o Brenda Shaw, Area 7 Hoop-Shoot Director

- o Jared Wanlass, Grand Lodge Fraternal Committeeman

- o Louis “Jim” Grillo, PGER & Co-State Sponsor

- o Robert Duitsman, PGER & Co-State Sponsor

- o Tim Jaeger, Past Grand Trustee Endorsed as Grand Exalted Ruler for 2026-2027

- o Robert Pagnani, SDGER

Sickness & Distress

Minutes – UEA State Convention 2025

Other Business

Announcements

9:45am UEA PSP Roundtable (PSP Only) – TBA

10:00am Public Relations Meeting – Lodge Room

10:30am Advisory Council Meeting – Lodge Room

11:00am Camp Wapiti Board Meeting – Lodge Room

Noon Lunch – Dining Room

1:00pm UEA Trustee Meeting – Lodge Room

2:00pm Grant Writing: “The Way to Get a Grant” – Lodge Room

2:30pm UBET Board Meeting – Board Room

3:30pm Alcohol 101 – Some Questions Answered – Lodge Room

*Please invite all Lodge: Bar Managers, Bartenders, Members on Liquor License. (All Member are encouraged to attend).

4:15pm Park City LOE – Back Patio Area

6:30pm Dinner – Dining Room Dress: Casual

7:30pm Entrainment provided by Golden Spike Lodge

Saturday, September 6, 2025

LOE MEETINGS – (Business Dress)

LOE Meetings will take place at Golden Spike Lodge

8:30am Board Meeting

9:00am General meeting

Historian and Project Meetings following General Meeting,

GENERAL MEETING

8:00am – 11:00am Registration – Social Quarters Entrance Way

8:30am UEA General Meeting – Main Lodge

Dress: State Officers: coat and tie

Members: coat & Tie or business casual (collar shirt)

Call to order promptly at 8:30am

Roll Call

Introductions

Sickness & Distress

Committee Reports

Old Business

New Business

Remarks from Grand Lodge Officers and Dignitaries

Announcements

12:00pm PDD Luncheon – Spouses Invited – Lodge Room

12:00pm Lunch – Dining Room

1:00pm Protocol “Everything You Need & Might Want to Know” – Lodge Room

2:00pm Premeeting Spring Meeting 2026 – Lodge Room

2:30pm Ritual Judges Clinic – Lodge Room

*All UEA Members are encouraged to attend – (Even if you don’t want to be a judge.)

6:30pm Dinner – Main Lodge Dress: Business Casual
(Collared Shirts/Pants)

Sunday, September 9, 2025

9:00am DD Clinic – Lodge Room

10:00am – 1:00pm Brunch Available at Lodge



Camp Wapiti Charity Golf Tournament

OQUIRRH HILLS GOLF
COURSE TOOEELE, UTAH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

FORMAT: Four-Person Scramble.

SHOTGUN START @ 9:00AM

COST: \$85.00 Per Player - \$340 a Team

\$60.00 Oquirrh Hills Season Pass (No Punch Cards)

\$40.00 Pass & Personal Cart

\$65.00 Personal Cart (Only)

Lunch & Awards will take place at Camp Wapiti after the Scramble. Non-Golfer Lunch Ticket \$20.00

There will closest to the hole contest on all Par 3's for both
Men & Women

Prize Money

1st Place \$100.00

2nd Place \$200.00

3rd Place \$300.00

4th Place \$400.00

10th Place \$200.00

Next to Last \$200.00

CAN'T GOLF OR JUST WANT TO DONATE
MORE TO THE CAMP, WE WILL TAKE HOLE SPON-
SORS IN ANY AMOUNT YOU WISH TO DONATE!!!

Brian Lindsay

@Brian-Lindsay-3



3 Different ways to pay! Pay through Venmo, leave names of golfer in comments.

Send Entry Form & check to Brian Lindsay or leave Entry Form & Money at the Tooele Elks Lodge.

CAMP WAPITI GOLF ENTRY FORM

NAME OF PLAYERS

Please make check payable to:

CAMP WAPITI

Send To: Brian Lindsay

468 Sleepy Hollow Dr

Tooele, Utah 84074

Brian's Cell

435-840-3574

Hello Utah Elks.

Welcome to Fall meeting, thank you all for your continued support and donations to Camp Wapiti. I'm excited to hand out new brochures to each lodge. Thank you to the board for putting these together and getting them printed for Grand Lodge. We are working on updating our video so please watch for that. This year we talked about replacing the booth at Grand Lodge with updated information. Or how to present that information each year as it does change. Had some great input on what we want that booth to look like and function.

Camp update:

Unfortunately, most of the water heaters at camp are past the prime. We have replaced the big one in the kitchen and are working to replace the ones in the infirmary and pool house. We have updated the controls and heating elements in the bathhouse. Added some Handicap toilets. The power to the maintenance shed and RV parking have been updated. Thank you to the Golden spike DOE and State LOE. We have replaced the decking and handrail on the handy craft shed. We have some big projects coming up at camp to help make it more ADA compliant. Including some sidewalks and patio. Also, in the works for next spring repaving the asphalt. The addition of Buddy Benches was very appreciative of from all the camps this year. I would like to tell you about two of the camps that use Camp Wapiti. There are two camps we don't talk about much.

Camp Valor:

Camp Valor is a safe place where children affected by bleeding disorders, ages 8 to 14, receive skills to manage hemophilia and Von Willebrand Disease. Through a variety of experiences, Camp Valor promotes independence and empowers children with bleeding disorders to live healthier and more self-sufficient lives. Here is a link to their website if you would like to know more about them or volunteer to help.

<https://hemophiliautah.org/>

Camp Hawkins:

Camp Hawkins is a special camp for children ages 4-17 born with congenital heart defects (CHD) or acquired heart disease, and their siblings. It is attended by medical staff and amazing counselors who help the kids learn, have fun, and develop friendships with other kids who understand the challenges of CHD's. Camp Hawkins was established in 2009 when several families of children with congenital heart defects recognized the need for their kids to know other children who have big scars and have faced similar challenges. And not just for the children with special hearts, but for their siblings as well who must watch their brother or sister spend time in the hospital and deal with procedures and complications. What they all need is friends and fun. Named for Dr. John A. Hawkins, one of Utah's foremost pediatric heart surgeons who passed away in 2011, Camp Hawkins is dedicated to providing a summer camp to children whose heart helps them endure a most un-childlike childhood. For 4 days/3 nights, campers enjoy the experience of a lifetime.

These are just two of the many groups they utilize Camp Wapiti. The number of children, and adults that have been impacted by the programs that are facilitated at Camp Wapiti is amazing. These programs and impacts could not be achieved without your support.

Thank you for your support with Our State Project. Elks truly do care and share and are in fact the Best People On Earth.

Justin Muir

Camp Wapiti President.



Kids from Camp Hawkins at Camp Wapiti



Camp Valor kids at Camp Wapiti