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**Washington State Elks Association
Summer Convention
June 12-16, 2024**

AGENDA

Welcome to the Washington State Elks Association Annual Summer Convention in Pasco, Washington. Many of you have attended our conventions before but in case you haven't the following may help you with a more descriptive detail of the convention events.

A pocket agenda is also available for your convenience, as well as a digital version on the My Elks mobile app.

Full attire (dress code) descriptions can be found as an addendum to this agenda.

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Attire: State Casual – Attendees will be wearing state logo polo shirts or short sleeved button downs, nice jeans or slacks, decent shoes.

As an Elk, spouse, or visiting dignitary you are encouraged to attend both the Executive Board meeting and the Charitable Trust meeting if you are inclined to learn more about the inner workings of the WSEA. Nothing private happening in these meetings.

3:00pm Executive Committee Meeting Followed by Charitable Trust.....Bronze

Thursday, June 13, 2024

Attire: State Uniform – Attendees will either be in state uniform or business attire for the meetings.

Today's sessions are the association's Summer Quarterly meetings consisting of State Financial Trustees reports, State Major Project report, State Committee Chair reports and State Program Advocates reports.

As an Elk, spouse, or visiting dignitary you can attend all these meetings on Thursday. They are between the State Association Executive Board and the various State Trustees, Committee Chairs and Advocates.

There is a Handgun shoot happening today on two separate time slots, morning, and afternoon. Information on the handgun shoot can be found within your registration packet, the My Elks mobile app or by asking at the registration desk.

7:30am-5:00pm WSEA RegistrationOlympic Foyer

8:30am-9:15am Financial TrusteesBronze

9:25am-11:30am Combined Program Advocates & Incoming Committee ChairsBronze

9:30am-11:30am Handgun Trophy Shoot - Morning SessionOff Site

**Shooters may participate in either morning or afternoon session, not both. Program Advocates, Therapy Trustees & Executive Committee members may only participate after meetings.*

11:30am-1:00pm LunchOn Your Own

Some of the hospitality rooms will have food available for you if you wander out into the main courtyard. There is also food available for purchase at the hotel restaurant.

1:00pm-2:00pm Therapy Trustees.....Bronze

1:30pm-4:30pm Handgun Trophy Shoot – Afternoon Session*(read below)Off Site

2:00pm-3:00pm Therapy Trustee TrainingOak/Pine

4:00pm-5:00pm Membership + 1 Reception (Invitation Only)Bronze

Our State Sponsor will congratulate all the lodges in Washington State that showed a gain in membership this past year. The lodges are required to show a positive gain on the evening of March 31 to be eligible. Only registered Elks from the lodges with a gain in membership and our visiting dignitaries are invited to attend this reception. With 23 lodges showing a positive gain it will be a procession.

5:00pm-5:30pm Flag Day RitualOlympic/Gold

We will have a special Flag Day ritual presentation by Tri Cities Lodge #2755. All present at the convention are encouraged to attend.

5:30pm-8:30pm Cornhole Tournament.....Olympic/Gold

As Elks and spouses registered at the convention, you are eligible and encouraged to play in the cornhole tournament. The cost is \$10/individual, and you can find information on the tournament within the My Elks mobile app or by asking at the registration desk.

5:00pm-11:00pm Welcome Reception in Hospitality RoomsCourtyard

You will find hospitality rooms from the state's districts scattered around the main courtyard area. Please enjoy them all at your leisure each day.

7:00pm-9:00pm Past State Presidents Reception.....Bin 20

All Past State Presidents and invited guests know what's going on here so have a great time.

11:00pm Eleven O'clock Toast.....Courtyard

Friday, June 14, 2024

Attire: State Uniform (Friday) - Please wear red shirts in honor of service men and women that are deployed. State officers will be wearing their state jacket and tie with a red shirt, others will be wearing business attire, again with a red shirt.

As an Elk, spouse, guest, or visiting dignitary registered at the convention, you are welcome and encouraged to attend all of the clinics listed below. Please enjoy and let us know about anything that stood out to you.

7:30am-5:00pm	WSEA Registration	Olympic Foyer
8:30am-9:20am	Exalted Ruler Check-In.....	Project
8:30am-9:20am	Secretary Follow-Up	Design
8:30am-9:20am	Scholarships.....	Oak
8:30am-10:20am	Veterans.....	Bronze
9:30am-10:20am	Ritual.....	Spruce
9:30am-10:20am	Protocol	Oak
9:30am-10:20am	Membership & Marketing	Design

10:30am-12:50pm Spouses Social outing (pre-purchased ticket required) **Tri Cities Lodge**
 If you are going to the spouse’s lunch, please be on time for transportation to the Tri Cities Lodge. Business attire or lodge uniform is fine. Enjoy a lunch time “fiesta” along with some fun playing Wine-O bingo and getting to know your fellow spouses.

11:00am-1:00pm Lunch **On Your Own**
 Many of the hospitality rooms will have food available for you if you wander out into the main courtyard. There is also food available for purchase at the hotel restaurant.

1:00pm-2:20pm	State Major Project - WSEA Therapy Program for Children.....	Bronze
1:00pm-2:30pm	Membership/Marketing (PR) 1-on-1 meetings	Spruce
2:30pm-4:00pm	District Caucuses	
	North	Bronze
	East.....	Spruce
	Central	Oak
	South.....	Project
	West.....	Bin 20

As an Elk, spouse, guest, or visiting dignitary you are welcome to attend any of the district caucuses. Washington Elks are expected to attend their home lodge district caucus. Our districts get together each convention to go over district specific items that need to be addressed or voted upon.

4:00pm-4:30pm Grand Lodge Convention Information..... **Bronze**

5:30pm-6:00pm Installation of Officers..... **Bronze**
 Our installation of officers is a nice, quick ceremony before dinner. Installing and installed officers will be in tuxedos. All others are welcome to wear business, semi-formal or formal attire for the installation event.

6:10pm-6:30pm No Host Cocktails..... **Olympic**
6:30 pm Dinner (advanced purchase tickets Required) **Olympic**

Attire: Business, Semi-Formal or Formal. You may have assigned seating as a visiting dignitary so please check with the kind Elks at the door for any instructions they may have.

7:15pm-8:30pm Awards Program (open Session).....Olympic
 This is the fun stuff – yearly state awards for first place in various categories from Exalted Ruler of the Year to top Member Proposer to top ENF contributor. The doors open to those not attending dinner, you will see some members come in and sit along the back wall for these prestigious awards.

8:45pm-11:00pm Celebrate with the New Officers.....Courtyard
11:00pm Eleven O'clock Toast.....Courtyard

Saturday, June 15, 2024

Attire: State Uniform - WSEA officers will be in their state jacket and tie. All are encouraged to wear their state uniform, lodge uniform (jacket/tie/similar) or business attire for those it is appropriate for.

As an Elk, spouse, guest, or visiting dignitary at the convention, you are welcome and encouraged to attend any of the 3 clinics/seminars listed below. Please enjoy and let us know about anything that stood out to you.

7:30am-12:00pm WSEA Registration.....Olympic Foyer
8:00am-8:50am All-American Lodge.....Bronze
8:00am-8:50am Elks National FoundationProject
9:00am-11:30am Business Session (Registered Members Only).....Bronze

All registered members of the Elks are welcome and encouraged to join our regular State Business Session. Visiting Dignitaries please check with the fine Elks at the door to the meeting room for any seating or introduction instructions. Attire is the same as the day’s attire.

11:30am-1:00pm Past State President LunchBin 20
 All Past State Presidents know what’s going on here so have a great time.

11:45am-12:45pm Polly Garland Award Luncheon (advanced ticket required).....Olympic
 This is an amazing luncheon honoring one woman from each district in our state that has shown amazing support of Elkdom at the Lodge and/or State Association level. At this point they have been nominated by their lodge and won their district award against other very deserving recipients. At lunch, this year’s winner will be announced after hearing each lady’s original nomination. You can learn more about the Polly Garland award on our state website under the resources tab. Attire is the same as the day’s attire.

1:00pm-1:40pm Memorial ServiceBronze
1:45pm-4:00pm Open Session.....Bronze

All the convention attendees, Elks, guests, spouses or visiting dignitaries, are welcome at our memorial service and open session. Attire is the same as the days attire.

6:00pm-7:00pm Barbecue Dinner (advanced ticket required)Olympic
 This is the relaxing dinner, possibly outside in the courtyard south of the main courtyard you’ve become accustomed to. Hawaiian shirts, appropriate shorts, or sun dresses, be relaxed and enjoy the evening.

8:00pm-11:00pm Karaoke.....Courtyard
11:00pm Eleven O'clock Toast - Exalted Ruler of the YearCourtyard

Sunday, June 16, 2024

9:00am-12:pm Alcohol Server TrainingOak/Pine

WSEA Officer Uniform (Dress Code)

Below is what you can expect the WSEA officers to be wearing. Anything at a similar level from your state, lodge or business is acceptable attire.

1. FORMAL DRESS CODE DEFINITION:

- 1.1. Black Tuxedo w/ vest/cummerbund/button covers, bow tie, and black shoes.
 - 1.1.1. A long, floor-length evening dress; a very fancy cocktail dress or dressy slacks and dressy blouse, dressy shoes may be substituted for female officers.

2. SEMI-FORMAL DRESS CODE DEFINITION:

- 2.1. A dark suit, necktie, and black dress shoes.
 - 2.1.1. A cocktail dress or slacks with dressy blouse and dressy shoes may be substituted for female officers.

3. STATE UNIFORM DRESS CODE DEFINITION:

- 3.1. A sports coat of Kelly Green that was previously approved as the official state coat by the Washington State Elks Association Executive Committee.
 - 3.1.1. This is the official coat for all the Washington State Elks Association elected and appointed Officers, committee chairs/members and all other state positions of any type.
- 3.2. A white dress shirt.
 - 3.2.1. A white blouse may substitute a white dress shirt for female officers.
- 3.3. The official Washington State Elks Association necktie.
 - 3.3.1. A sash/scarf may substitute the official Washington state necktie for female officers.
- 3.4. A pair of black dress pants.
 - 3.4.1. A plain black dress or knee-length (or longer) skirt may be substituted for the trousers.
- 3.5. Shoes, socks, and belt shall be black in color.
- 3.6. A State approved name badge giving the wearer's name and position held should be worn on the Sports Coat pocket or similar area for female officer's dress choice.
- 3.7. Exalted Rulers when attending Grand Lodge Convention will also wear the state uniform when attending functions requiring this dress code.
- 3.8. Past Exalted Rulers from Washington State Lodges can wear this uniform at functions requesting this dress code as appropriate.
- 3.9. In support of our deployed veterans, a red dress shirt should be worn on Friday's.
 - 3.9.1. A red blouse or dress may substitute a red dress shirt for female officers.

4. STATE CASUAL – BUSINESS CASUAL DRESS DEFINITION:

- 4.1. In the event of an occasion (such as a picnic, golf tournament, meeting or outing) where the state elected/appointed officers, committee chairs or member wishes to represent the Washington State Elks Association and state/business casual is requested, or the dress codes described above would be out of place and no dress code is defined, they may wear Green/White or Red Washington State Elks Association logo button down short sleeve dress shirt or polo shirts available from the State Office with slacks/trousers, or skirt for females.
 - 4.1.1. Shorts may be worn when appropriate for the situation, but they will be at a business quality level.