

PARIS ELKS LODGE 816

September 2026

HAPPY LABOR — DAY —

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Officers 2026-2027

Exalted Ruler– Ean Reed
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Loyal Knight– J Michael French
Lecturing Knight– Keith Martin
Esquire – Cy Alexander
Chaplin - Debra Stoope
Inner Guard– Dennis Beall
Tiler– Dicky Bomar
Secretary– Melanie Lewis
Treasurer– Jennifer Dolliver
Trustees– Andy Richardson
Pat Reed Steve Hart

Greetings my fellow Elks,



September is here! With that, we are hopefully closer to falling temperatures and more bearable weather for outside activities. Fall begins later this month, so that means the return of football games on the weekends and even a few nights during the week. I encourage you to come out to the lodge and enjoy the games with your friends. We have several televisions located throughout the lounge and can have multiple games going all at once, let the bartenders know who your favorite team is and they will try to put it on a screen for you.

Speaking of games, we are going to have a game night at the lodge on Friday night September 11th starting at 6 pm. So come on out and test your luck with the Bingo rounds and your chance to win some prizes, we always have a great time, and you won't be sorry that you came out to participate. We will also have the grill going that night for burgers and sides if you are hungry, Keith and Mikey have been doing a great job getting delicious food out to the members, and they have "volunteered" to do it again. Also, this month, we will be having a yard sale in the parking lot of the lodge on September 26th . Members are welcome to bring items to sell and participate but remember that you will have to stay with your items and you are responsible for pricing, negotiating, and removing the items should they not sell. Please keep in mind that next month will be October and with that comes out Trunk or Treat event. This event seems to get bigger every year, and with Halloween falling on a Saturday night this year, I am sure this event will be even bigger. If you would like to participate and set up you are welcome, the more the merrier. If you would just like to donate candy or other suitable items to give to the children, feel free to drop them off at the lodge between now and then.

Tuesday nights are for Eating at the #816... This month our Tuesday night meals will be Burgers on the 1st , no meal on the 8th , Tacos on the 15th , the ever-popular BLT's on the 22nd, and of course our famous house made Pizzas on the 29th . Please make sure to sign up either at the lodge or through the link provided through the Facebook page. Tentatively for October we have Burgers, Tacos, Shrimp Po-boys, and Pizza on the schedule.

If you missed the Saturday night meals in August, you really did miss out on some great food! Mike and Shelly prepared a wonderful Salisbury steak meal on the 15th and have been heavily encouraged to work that one into the rotation for Saturday night meals. Debra brought back her delicious Bean Rolls on the 29th , and for those that have ever had one, they know how good those are! As of right now we don't have a Saturday night cooking planned for September but if anyone has a suggestion and is willing to tackle it, we would be happy to help and get it scheduled.

Finally, we would love to see all of you at the lodge very soon. Remember that this is your lodge and it will be whatever you make of it. Bring a friend who has never been, propose them for membership, get involved. See you at the Lodge!



CLOSED
for
Labor Day
9/5 & 9/7

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler

As we move toward the fall season and the halfway point of our Elks year, it is time to assess how our Lodges are performing based on our goals. If you are not meeting them, consider what adjustments you can make to get your Lodge moving forward in a positive fashion. This time of year is also the start of the visits from your District Deputy. These visits will provide a look into your overall Lodge operations. Be sure to plan with your Lodge leadership for the visit by completing the audit items, building a self-inspection checklist, and compiling all the other information that is needed by the DD. This planning and preparation will lay the foundation for a successful visit. Lodge Secretaries, if you are not on the Grand Lodge billing system, I encourage you to consider looking into the system. If you are not on the system, it is time to begin sending your six-month dues and delinquent notices. Reach out to a team to proactively contact the delinquent Members. Just ask **Ready Elks** and your team will respond **Let's Go!** It is also time to begin getting information out to the school guidance counselors and providing them with information for the student applications for scholarships. Please follow the Elks website for application deadlines for these grants. Don't wait, act quickly. Do not forget to apply for the grants that your Lodge is eligible for. Those funds can expand your reach in the community. Be sure and share the good work with your Members and the community. Let people know that when Elks see a need they send out the cry and respond.

Ready Elks—Let's Go! Consider holding a 9/11 remembrance celebration in your Lodge and include your community. This is the 25th anniversary of the tragedy. What an important time to remember those we lost and to share the Elks' patriotism within your communities. Please visit elks.org for information on the various contests for Lodges and our youth. The site also contains awards you can request to honor Members and leaders in your community. Elks.org also has manuals, designed to help us manage our Lodges. Thank you for your continued efforts as we grow and improve our Lodges and the great works you are doing for your communities. I know you will all be quick to respond when you hear the call: **Ready Elks—Let's Go!**

No Saturday night meals planned for September. If that should Change,
There will be notice on the Facebook Page.

Be sure to get signed up for our amazing Tuesday Night meals!

To Our Absent Members

Prayers go out for the sick and shut in members and
Their families and to our First Responders and Military.

BINGO NIGHT

Join us for a night packed
with laughs, prizes, and
friendly competition

**\$5 PER CARD PACK.
ALL MONEY GOES
TOWARDS FUTURE KID
ACTIVITIES**



**FRIDAY SEPT 11TH
START AT 6PM**

OPEN GRILL



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be sure to check out our page on Facebook. You can find it at the following:

Paris Elks Lodge, #816

The lodge will be closed 9/5 and 9/7 in celebration of Labor Day. We will be back open for business on Tuesday, 9/8 but there will not be a Tuesday meal. But you are welcome to bring in a meal and enjoy the fellowship with friends and members.

The lodge will be having a yard sale on September 26th. The members are welcome to come and participate. You will need to bring your own setup, price your own goods, and keep all your money! You are also responsible for taking what doesn't sell with you when you leave. Don't leave it at the lodge for someone else to take care of.

The lodge will once again be selling BBQ meals at Noon On The Square coming up in October. We need volunteers to help serve the meals at the event. Speak to one of the officers to see where you can best help.

Coming back in October will be our Trunk or Treat. This just keeps getting better and better. And the Saturday date will probably increase the number of visitors. So, get your trunk and your costume ready and help us with this great activity for the kids!

NOON ON THE SQUARE



We will be selling plate lunches and
will need volunteers to help that day.

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October

Ray Lewis Band Performing

Pulled Pork Sandwich * Chips * Cookie



Important Dates

9/1 Burgers
 9/3 Meeting
 9/5 Closed
 9/7 Closed
 9/8 No Meal
 9/11 Bingo & Open Grill
 9/15 Tacos
 9/17 Meeting
 9/21 Board Meeting
 9/22 BLTs
 9/29 PIZZA



Birthdays

5 David Farmer	18 Eddie Reagor
6 Phillip Boyd	20 Tony Wimberley
Hunter Pickler	22 David Perkins
7 Jim Burrall	23 Ronnie Green
8 Chris Martin	24 David Flowers
9 William Reeves	25 Brian Mays
11 Ronnie Scammerhorn	26 Larry Collums
15 Brian McMahon	Stephen Hart
17 Robert Kinnick	28 Jim Cutright
Joe Sanders	Zane Ross
	29 Orvil Orr



Sign Up

September 2026						
◀ August						October ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Burgers 	2 Closed	3 Meeting	4	5 Closed
6	7 Closed	8 No Meal	9 Closed	10	11 Bingo 	12
13	14	15 Tacos 	16 Closed	17 Meeting	18	19
20	21 Board Meeting	22 BLTs 	23 Closed	24	25	26
27	28	29 PIZZA 	30 Closed			

Yard Sale

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**September
26th**

**COME AND PARTICIPATE IN
OUR GROUP YARD SALE**

HOW:

Bring your own setup

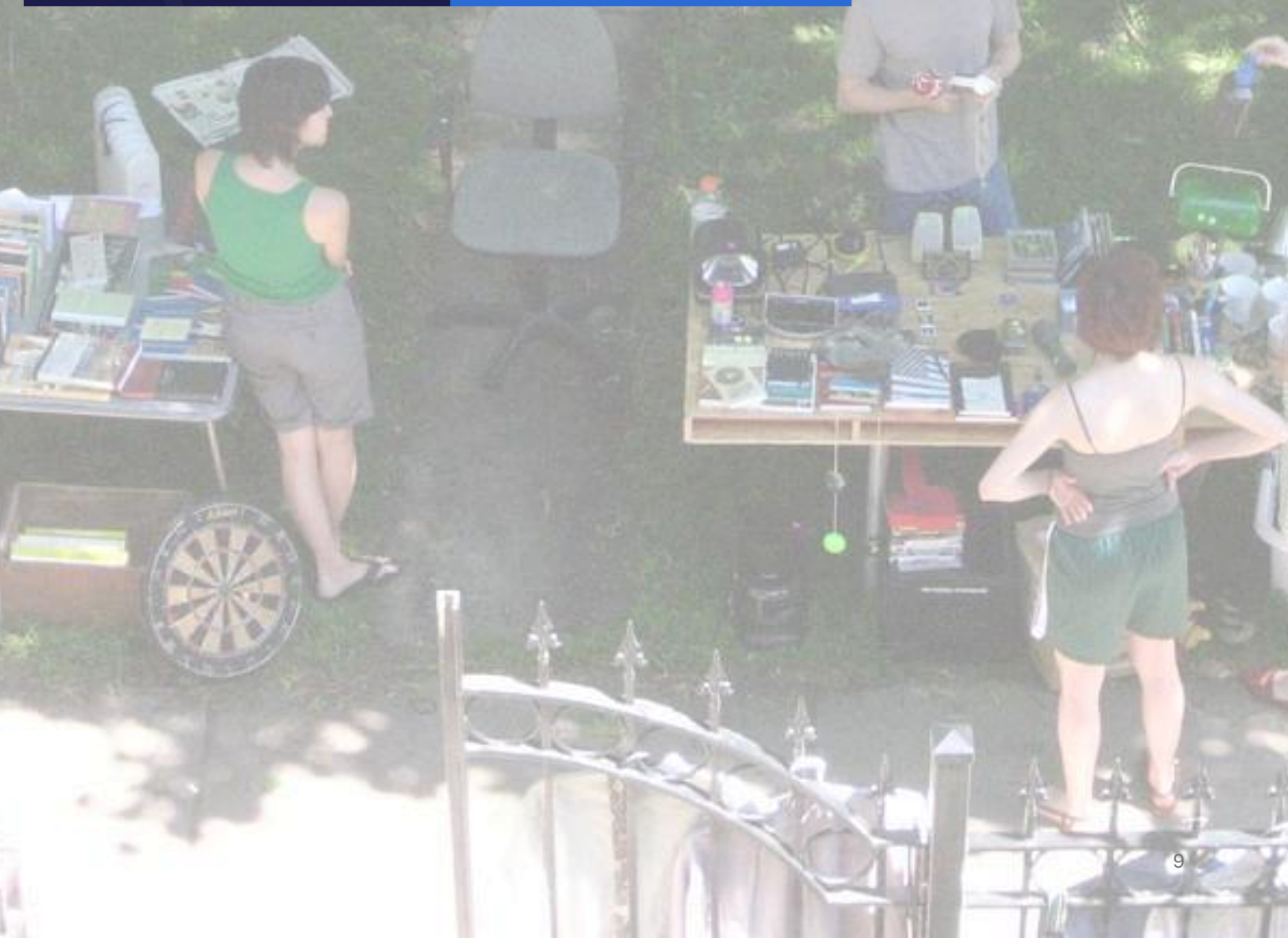
Price your own things

Keep all your money

Great way to host
a yard sale in
town



7am-?



COMING UP IN OCTOBER

Here is a sneak peak for next month. Start making plans now!

BBQ Nachos coming October 24th. Eat at 6pm. Sign up in the lounge or on our Facebook Page:
Paris Elks Lodge, #816

Trunk or Treat coming on Halloween. Dress up the trunk and yourself and help us treat all the littles!

October 2026						
◀ September						November ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Nachos
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Trunk or Treat



Start planning
for our annual

Trunk or Treat

Candy donations
are greatly
appreciated !!

Oct 31st

