

Schedule of Events

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

Official Arrival
GER Bryan Klatt and First Lady Susan

Thursday, June 11, 2026

9:00 AM — Grand Lodge Dignitary Outing
(Invitation Only)

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM — Registration Open
(Mezzanine)

2:00 PM — Trustees Meeting (Casual Attire*)
PSPs & VPs Welcome **(Madison Board Room)**

3:30 PM — Past State Presidents Meeting (Casual Attire*) (Madison Board Room)

6:00 PM — Grand Lodge Dignitary Dinner
(Invitation Only)

Friday, June 12, 2026

8:00 AM — Golf Tournament Heritage Oaks Golf Course
Tee Time: 8:30 AM

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM — Registration Open
(Mezzanine)

2:00 PM — District Deputies & Designates Meeting (Casual Attire*) (Madison Board Room)

4:00 PM — Youth Camp Meeting (Casual Attire*)
Nominations of Officers **(Blue Ridge Room)**

6:00 PM — PSP Reception Coat & Tie
(Appalachian C)

7:00 PM — PSP/State Officers Dinner Coat & Tie
(Appalachian C)

Saturday, June 13, 2026

7:30 AM — ER/PER Breakfast (Shenandoah C)

8:00 AM — First Lady's Breakfast (Appalachian C)

Business Meeting

9:00 AM — Call to Order (Shenandoah A&B)
VEA President Lynn Rutherford-Snow

Invocation
Audrey Hoffmaster, VEA Chaplain

Pledge of Allegiance
Vicki Shiflett, National Veterans Service

Chair

Mayor of Harrisonburg
Deanna Reed

9:10 AM — Roll Call of Officers
Secretary/Treasurer. Tammy Symons, VEA

Roll Call of Lodges
Secretary/Treasurer. Tammy Symons, VEA

Report of Credentials
Secretary/Treasurer. Tammy Symons, VEA

Reading of the Minutes October 2025
Meeting
Secretary/Treasurer. Tammy Symons, VEA

Treasurer's Report
Secretary/Treasurer, Tammy Symons, VEA

Report of the Convention Committee
Chair, Paul Shoemaker, PSP

9:30 AM — President's Report
VEA President Lynn Rutherford-Snow

9:35 AM — Introduction of Head Table and Honored Guests

Audrey Hoffmaster, VEA Chaplain
David King, North Carolina State President
Dr. Robert Hinkle, PSP, PGLC
State Sponsor Ronold L. Hicks, PGER
Ron Hicks Remarks
Introductions of GL Dignitaries:
Bryan Klatt, Grand Exalter Ruler
John Owens, Grand Trustee
Geoffrey B Cox, Member Grand Lodge
Membership & Marketing Committee
Introduction of District Deputies

9:45 AM — Remarks by GER Bryan Klatt

10:00 AM — Reports of the Vice Presidents and Committees

10:45 AM — Unfinished business

10:50 AM — New Business
Bylaws Committee
Geoffrey Cox
Trustees Report
John Owens, PSP, GL Trustee
Youth Camp Report
Vote on the Proposed Sale of Parcel
Gigi Jones, VEYC Trustee
Parade of Heroes Report
Ray Dameron, PSP, PGLK

11:00 AM — Good of the Order
Exalted Ruler Walk

11:30 AM — Elks Memorial Service

1:30 PM — Special Lodge Leadership Meeting
(By Invitation Only) – Ron Hicks, PGER (Madison Board Room)

3:00 PM — 11 O'clock Toast Contest
(Blue Ridge Room)

6:00-6:45 PM — President Reception (Prefunction Area)

7:00 PM — Banquet
(GL & State Officers – Summer Tux)
(Shenandoah A&B)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Vice President

Bob Calley

Grand Lodge Convention Report
Accident Prevention Committee
Business Practices Committee
Internet Committee

Second Vice President

Lani Cadow

Government Relations Committee
Lodge Activities Committee
All-American Lodge

Justin Reiter

Elks National Foundation
Herman C. Anderson Achievement
Awards
Public Relations
Youth Camp Maintenance Committee
The Virginia Elks Charitable Fund, Inc.

Third Vice President

John Hutchison

Scholarship Committee
Hoop Shoot

Fourth Vice President

Jason "Tee" Hicks

Americanism Committee

Membership and Lapsation Committee
Drug Awareness Committee
Ritualistic Committee
Golf Committee

Safety Glass Project
DR Robert Hinkle

NOTE:

* Unless otherwise noted, attire for all events shall be coat and tie or business suit.

Individuals attending Hospitality Rooms **MUST** be registered convention attendees in accordance with convention and association guidelines.

There shall be **NO** alcohol of any kind permitted in the Main Lobby at any time during the Convention, including in cups, cans, or bottles, in accordance with Virginia ABC laws and regulations.

WEAR YOUR CONVENTION BADGE AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN THE HOTEL.



Virginia Elks Association



**119th Semiannual
Meeting
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