

Illinois Elks Association

MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

February 12-15, 2026 Crowne Plaza Springfield Hotel

Thursday, February 12, 2026

10:30 AM.-5:00 PM	Convention Office
1:00 PM-4:00 PM	Executive Committee

PLACE/ROOM

Topaz  
Lincoln Boardroom

Friday, February 13, 2026

7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Convention Office
8:00 AM-10:00 AM	Executive Committee
10:00 AM-11:30 PM	Convention Committee
12:00 PM-7:00 PM	Convention Registration
1:00 PM-4:00 PM	Advisory Committee
7:00 PM-9:00 PM	Past State President Dinner

Topaz  
Lincoln Boardroom  
Plaza A  
Registration - 1st Floor  
Plaza A  
Ruby

Saturday, February 14, 2026

6:30 AM-6:00 PM	Convention Office
7:00 AM-12:00 PM	Convention Registration
7:30 AM-9:00 AM	Board of Directors Meeting & Training - Continental
8:00 AM-10:00 AM	District Deputies & Esquires - Continental
8:00 AM-10:00 AM	Individual Ritual Competition
8:00 AM-12:00 AM	Leading Knights Training
9:00 AM-10:30 AM	Exalted Rulers Meet w/ Executive Committee
9:00 AM-10:30 AM	Secretaries' Association
10:00 AM-11:00 AM	Athletic Commission
10:00 AM-11:00 AM	Easter Bunny Committee
10:00 AM-11:00 AM	Elks National Foundation
10:00 AM-11:00 AM	New Lodge
10:00 AM-11:30 AM	Lodge Trustee Training/Accident Prevention/Insurance
10:30 AM-11:30 AM	Americanism
10:30 AM-11:30 AM	Ritual Performance
10:30 AM-12:00 PM	Lodge Treasurers
11:00 AM-12:00 PM	National Veterans Service
11:00 AM-12:00 PM	Scholarship
12:00 PM-1:30 PM	Lady of the Year Luncheon

Topaz  
Registration - 1st Floor  
Sapphire  
Plaza F  
Plaza H I J  
Diamond  
Ruby  
Plaza E  
Plaza B  
Turquoise  
Plaza A  
Opal  
Plaza F  
Ruby  
Plaza H I J  
Plaza E  
Plaza A  
Plaza B  
Emerald

Entrée: Bruschetta Chicken Penne – Penne Pasta Tossed in a  
Garlic Alfredo Sauce with Diced Chicken Breast & Bruschetta Topping  
with Warm Breadsticks. Dessert bar. Cost: Pre Reg-\$30.00/ Onsite \$33.00

1:30 PM-2:30 PM	Governement Relations
1:30 PM-2:30 PM	Hoop Shoot/Soccer Shoot
1:30 PM-2:30 PM	Membership/Lapsation/Lodge Activities/Orientation
1:30 PM-2:30 PM	Youth Activities & Antlers
1:30 PM-2:30 PM	Ritual 11 O'Clock Toast Competition
1:30 PM-2:30 PM	State Web Page
1:30 PM-3:30 PM	Children's Care Cooperation
1:30 PM-4:00 PM	PGER Meet with Lodge & Individuals
2:30 PM-3:30 PM	Bowling Association
2:30 PM-3:30 PM	Drug Awareness
2:30 PM-4:30 PM	Web Site Monitoring/Publication Corp/Public Relations
5:00 PM-6:00 PM	Reception
6:00 PM-9:30 PM	Illinois Elks Association - Dinner

Plaza F  
Plaza A  
Plaza E  
Plaza C  
Plaza H I J  
Plaza B  
Ruby  
Lincoln Board Room  
Plaza A  
Plaza F  
Plaza B  
Emerald/Sapphire  
Emerald/Sapphire

Salad: Traditional House Salad with Ranch & Italian Dressing  
Entrée: Chicken Piccata with chef selected starch and vegetable plus dessert.  
Cost: Pre-registration \$40.00/On-site \$43.00 Dress: Business Suit

Sunday, February 15, 2026

6:30 AM-11:00 AM	Convention Office
7:30 AM-8:00 AM	Room Reservations for the May Convention
8:00 AM-10:30 AM	General Business Session

Topaz  
Diamond/Sapphire  
Diamond/Sapphire

REGISTRATION

All Elks, male & female, Must Register for meeting functions: **FEES:** Pre-Registration \$ 10.00/ On-site \$20.00. **Pre-Registration deadline is January 26, 2026.** FORM ON PAGE 6.

By pre-registering for the convention, Ladies' Luncheon and banquet, you will give the Credentials Committee time to make sure your credentials will be waiting for you at the check-in desk and will also assist the Convention Committee in working with the Crowne Plaza in planning the workshops, Luncheon and banquet.

**Registration Badges are necessary to attend ALL functions, including hospitality rooms.**

ROOM RESERVATIONS

**Room Cancelation cut off will be January 10, 2026.**

All mailings must be postmarked prior to the above date to avoid additional late charges. Rooms cancelled after the above date will forfeit their deposit.

HOSPITALITY ROOMS

The Hospitality room assignments will be determined by the pre-registration numbers per district excluding the State President's Area. The remaining District Hospitality Rooms will be assigned following the close of Pre-Registration then sent to the Jr. Trustee.

All Hospitality Rooms shall be **CLOSED** from 5:00 pm until the conclusion of the banquet on Saturday, February 14, 2026, and during all Business sessions.

No one will be permitted in the hospitality rooms without proper convention credentials. Those not displaying proper credentials WILL be required to leave.

**Covid-19 Guidelines for the Fall Meeting can be found on the IL Elks website. Precautions and guidelins are the same as previous meetings. Please take care and do not attend meeting if you are feeeling ill or exhibiting any symptoms. Let's keep everyone safe and healthy.**