

## KEA Past Convention Themes

**1968 -1969 HAROLD & JULIA YOUNG – SALINA**

**GRAND LODGE - NEW YORK, NY**

**EUROPEAN HOLIDAY**

Thursday Night - Bavaria, Beer Garden

Friday Night - Gay Paris, Night at Moulin Rouge

Saturday Brunch - Queen's Luncheon

Banquet - King's Round Table, Later King and Queen's Coronation Ball

**1969 -1970 VIRGIL & ROSE HOWEY - GALENA**

**GRAND LODGE - DALLAS, TX**

**AROUND THE WORLD IN 3 DAYS**

Thursday Night - Western

Friday Night - Orient

Saturday Brunch - Luncheon with the First Lady

Banquet - Wheat Shockers Ball

**1970 -1971 A. H. (WHITEY) & EVA LORENTZ - BELOIT**

**GRAND LODGE - SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

**STARS AND STRIPES FOREVER**

Thursday Night - Spirit of 76

Friday Night - Gold Rush-49ers

Saturday Brunch - Hats off to Women

Banquet - America the Beautiful

**1971 -1972 GEORGE & MARY JO TRACY - MANHATTAN**

**GRAND LODGE - NEW ORLEANS, LA**

**MIDWAY U.S.A.**

Thursday Night - Gateway to the West - Bam Dance

Friday Night - Fun at the Long Branch Saloon

Saturday Brunch - Mamie's Country Lunch

Banquet - President's Ball

**1972 -1973 R. B. & MARY LOU DEFFENBAUGH - LEAVENWORTH**

**GRAND LODGE - ATLANTIC CITY, NJ**

**MEXICAN FIESTA**

Thursday Night - Rosita's Cantina

Friday Night - El Rancho Grande

Saturday Brunch - La Hacienda

Banquet - Conquistador Ball

**1973 -1974 ROBERT & DOLORES EARNEST - RUSSELL**

**GRAND LODGE - CHICAGO, IL**

**THE AGE OF ELKS**

Thursday Night - Childhood Theme

Friday Night - Ah, Sweet Youth

Saturday Brunch - Ladies of the Elks Sweethearts (Wives/Mothers)

Banquet - Senior Years in Elks

**1974 -1975 RAYMOND & VIRGINIA FRIEDERICH - CHANUTE****GRAND LODGE - MIAMI BEACH, FL****HOMECOMING**

Thursday Night - Queen Contest Held

Friday Night - Queen Coronation Pep Rally

Brunch

Banquet

**1975 -1976 WALTER & JENNIE SHANNON - PRATT****H. KEITH & FLORANCE MOSSMAN - EL DORADO****DALE & KAY MITCHELL - IOLA****GRAND LODGE - DALLAS, TX****SPIRIT OF 76**

Thursday Night

Friday Night

Brunch

Banquet

**1976 -1977 RALPH & PAT DOCKSTADER - BELOIT****GRAND LODGE - CHICAGO, IL****GOLDEN WAVES OF GRAIN**

Thursday - Night Sow Your Wild Oats Night

Friday Night - The Moonshiner's Stomp

Saturday Brunch - Pat's Sunbonnet Luncheon

Banquet - Harvester's Ball

**1977 -1978 LARRY & MARYNELL MEYER - LEAVENWORTH****GRAND LODGE - NEW ORLEANS, LA****SCENES FROM SUMMERTIME**

Thursday Night - Fun in the Sun

Friday Night - A Night at the County Fair

Saturday Brunch - Garden Party

Banquet -

**1978-1979 DON & WILLADENE HEBERT - CONCORDIA****GRAND LODGE - SAN DIEGO, CA****FANTASIES**

Thursday Night - Holland Holiday

Friday Night - Mexican Fiesta

Saturday Brunch - Somewhere Over the Rainbow

Banquet - Evening in Paris

**1979 -1980 CLARENCE & EUNICE STRICKLAND - OTTAWA**

**GRAND LODGE - DALLAS, TX**

**75th ANNIVERSARY**

Thursday Night - Diamond Jim's

Friday Night - Diamond Jubilee

Saturday Brunch - Diamond Lil's

Banquet - 75th Anniversary

**1980 -1981 G. L. (SALTY) & BONNIE MOUNTZ - WELLINGTON**

**GRAND LODGE - NEW ORLEANS, LA**

**SOUND OF MUSIC**

Thursday Night - Getting to Know You

Friday Night - I'll See You in My Dreams

Saturday Brunch - Thank Heaven for Little Girls

Banquet - Night and Day

**1981 -1982 RON & LEOLA GABBERT - JUNCTION CITY**

**GRAND LODGE - LAS VEGAS, NV**

**COUNTRY**

Friday Night - Country Ho Down

Saturday Brunch - L. G. Review

Banquet - Up Town Saturday Night

**1982 -1983 ROBERT & JUDY CARSON - MC PHERSON**

**GRAND LODGE - CHICAGO, IL**

**RAILROAD**

Friday Night - I've Been Working on the Railroad

Saturday Brunch - Brunch at the Harvey house with Judy

Banquet - End of the Line

**1983 - 1984 GENE & ANNA MAE BAUER - CLAY CENTER**

**GRAND LODGE - HONOLULU, HI**

**KANSAS - LAND OF OZ**

Friday Night - Off to see the Wizard

Saturday Brunch - Brunch with Annie M

Banquet - Over the Rainbow

**1984 -1985 HOWARD & RETTA HOUK - SALINA**

**GRAND LODGE - HOUSTON, TX**

**BIG 8 SPORTS**

Friday Night - Football

Saturday Brunch - Tee off Time with Retta

Banquet -

**1985 -1986 DR. JACK & SHARON DICKSON - EL DORADO**

**GRAND LODGE - SEATTLE, WA**

**PATRIOTISM**

Friday Night - Spirit of 76

Saturday Brunch - Women of America

Banquet - I am Proud to be an American

**1986 -1987 ERNIE & WANDA WOOD - WICHITA**

**GRAND LODGE - DENVER, CO**

**SCHOOL DAYS**

Friday Night - Homecoming

Saturday Brunch - Faculty Tea

Banquet - Prom

**1987 -1988 JOHN & BETTE DEAN SLAYMAN - OSAWATOMIE**

**GRAND LODGE - ATLANTA, GA**

**NOSTALGIA**

Friday Night - Memories Are Made of This

Saturday Brunch - Picnic in the Park

Banquet - Thanks for the Memories

**1988 -1989 LEO & CONNIE HATCHER - GOODLAND**

**GRAND LODGE - LAS VEGAS, NV**

**COUNTY FAIR**

Friday Night - On the Midway

Saturday Brunch - Blue Ribbon Brunch

Banquet - Puttin' on the Ritz in the County Seat

**1989 -1990 JIM & MARY LOU HINSON - IOLA**

**GRAND LODGE - NEW ORLEANS, LA**

**GAY NINTIES**

Friday Night - Good Old Days

Saturday Brunch - Saturday Morning Get-Together

Banquet - Back to the Future

**1990 -1991 HARLO & EILEEN REGIER - HUTCHINSON**

**GRAND LODGE - LAS VEGAS, NV**

**ALL AMERICAN SPORTS**

Friday Night - Gathering of the Sports

Saturday Brunch - Cheerleaders Luncheon

Banquet - Special Olympics

**1991 -1992 RAY & ELAINE BAER - CLAY CENTER**

<b>GRAND LODGE - ST LOUIS, MO</b>
<b>OFF TO THE RACES</b>
Friday Night - Fun at the Track
Saturday Brunch - Mint Julep Party
Banquet - In the Winners Circle

<b>1992 -1993 CHUCK &amp; KARLENE BUECHMAN - HOXIE</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - DALLAS, TX</b>
<b>SALUTE TO BROADWAY - AMERICAN MUSICALS</b>
Friday Night Opening Night - "West Side Story"
Saturday Brunch - Matinee - "My Fair Lady"
Banquet - Encore Performance - "The Music Man"

<b>1993 -1994 JOHN &amp; CINDY CRAMER - PARSONS</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - PORTLAND, OR</b>
<b>CRUISE THROUGH ELKDON ON THE "M.R." ELKS</b>
Friday Night - Fantasy Island
Saturday Brunch - Brunch on the Promenade Deck
Banquet - Dinner at the Captain's Table

<b>1994 -1995 FRED &amp; NANCY BADDERS - PRATT</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - CHICAGO, IL</b>
<b>MOVIES AND STARS</b>
Friday Night - Sneak Preview
Saturday Brunch - Saturday Morning Cartoons
Banquet - Academy Awards

<b>1995 -1996 LARRY &amp; CONNIE WHISENHUNT-TOPEKA</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - NEW ORLEANS, LA</b>
<b>CIRCUS OF THE STARS</b>
Friday Night - Under the Big Top
Saturday Brunch - Send in the Clowns
Banquet - In the Center Ring

<b>1996-1997 WALTER &amp; LINDA LINTHACUM - GOODLAND</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - LAS VEGAS, NV</b>
<b>TRAVELING WITH A HEART FOR ELKDOM</b>
Friday Night - A Night in Monte Carlo
Saturday Brunch - Breakfast at Tiffany's
Banquet - Sentimental Journey

<b>1997-1998 HERBERT &amp; SHARON MATLOCK - CHANUTE</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - CHICAGO, IL</b>
<b>THE OLD WILD WEST</b>
Friday Night - Long Branch Saloon

Saturday Brunch - Brunch with Miss Kitty

Banquet - Showdown at OK Corral

**1998 -1999 CHARLES & JOYCE LESTER - (JOYCE DIED IN 1997) - WICHITA**

**GRAND LODGE - ANAHEIN, CA**

**THE GREAT AMERICAN PAST-TIME**

Friday Night - Tailgate Party

Saturday Brunch - Angels in the Outfield

Banquet - World Series Spectacular

**1999-2000 LORENZE & DONNA KARMANN - CLAY CENTER**

**GRAND LODGE - KANSAS CITY, MO**

**COUNTRY MEMORIES**

Friday Night - Country Barn Dance

Saturday Brunch - Brunch at the Windmill Inn

Banquet - Thanks for the Memories

**2000-2001 LYNN & CAROL WICKIZER - RUSSELL**

**GRAND LODGE - DALLAS, TX**

**ELKS 500, RACE OF THE CENTURY**

Friday Night - Start Your Engines

Saturday Brunch - Cruising Through the Time Trials

Banquet - The Grand Elks 500

**2001-2002 RON & ADDIE ATKINSON - GALENA**

**GRAND LODGE - PHILADELPHIA, PA**

**THE WIZARD OF OZ**

Friday Night - We're Off to See the Wizard

Saturday Brunch - Brunch with the Munchkins

Banquet - There's No Place Like Home

**2002-2003 DR. GARY & PAULA ASH - NEWTON**

**GRAND LODGE - RENO, NV**

**GOD BLESS THE USA**

Thursday Night - Proud to be an American

Friday Night - Rally Around the Flag Boys

Saturday Brunch - Let Freedom Ring

Banquet - It's a Star Spangled Night

**2003 - 2004 RICHARD & LUCY STUCKEY - TOPEKA**

**GRAND LODGE - ST LOUIS, MO**

**HUMOR**

Thursday Night - Lil' Rascals Clubhouse

Friday Night - Show of Shows

Saturday Brunch - I Love Lucy  
Banquet - Saturday Night Live from Wichita

**2004-2005 JAMES & JAMIE MALONE - RUSSELL**  
**GRAND LODGE - MINNEAPOLIS, MN**  
**"IRISH" RICHES OF ELKDOM**

Thursday Night - Wearing of the Green  
Friday Night - Kiss Me, I'm Irish  
Saturday Brunch - Irish for a Day  
Banquet - Centennial Celebration -100th Kansas Elks Convention

**2005-2006 FRANK & LINDA SPRINGER - CHANUTE**  
**GRAND LODGE - RENO, NV**  
**EXPLORING THE TRAILS OF ELKDOM**

Friday Night - Down the River  
Saturday Brunch - Garden Party  
Banquet - Exploring New Horizons

**2006-2007 RON & SANDY LARSON - NEWTON**  
**GRAND LODGE - ORLANDO, FL**  
**A CELEBRATION OF FREEDOM**

Friday Night - R&R at the USO  
Saturday Brunch - On the Wings of Angels  
Banquet - Let's Fly-Soar to new Heights in Elks

**2007-2008 GARY & MARY LOU WILSON - ATCHISON**  
**GRAND LODGE - CHARLOTTE, NC**  
**ON TRACK WITH ELKDOM**

Friday Night - All Aboard the Track to Freedom  
Saturday Brunch - Enjoy the Beautiful Sights  
Banquet - Join us in the Dining Car for a Glamorous Occasion

**2008-2009 GARY & CAROL HINDMAN - SALINA**  
**GRAND LODGE - ANAHEIN, CA**  
**SERVE AND PROTECT ELKDOM**

Friday Night - Scene of the Crime  
Saturday Brunch - Raiding the Red Light District  
Banquet - The Lineup

**2009-2010 TONY & BECKY NASH - PARSONS**  
**GRAND LODGE - PORTLAND, OR**  
**FAMILY TRADITION**

Friday Night - Backyard Games  
Saturday Brunch - Sisters Secret Garden  
Banquet - Family Gathering Together at the Table

<b>2010-2011 CARL &amp; JANET BILLINGS - GARDEN CITY</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - ORLANDO, FL</b>
<b>WELCOME TO THE COUNTY FAIR: ELKS ARE GRAND CHAMPIONS</b>
Thursday Night - Bring On the Clowns
Friday Night - On the Midway
Saturday Brunch - Blue Ribbon Day
Banquet - Dining With the Champions

<b>2011-2012 CARL &amp; SHERI LINDSEY - OVERLAND PARK</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - PHOENIX, AZ</b>
<b>VOLUNTEERS ARE STARS: YOU OUGHT TO BE IN PICTURES</b>
Thursday Night - Behind the Scenes
Friday Morning Coffee - Picture Perfect
Friday Night - Premier Night
Saturday Brunch - Breakfast Club
Banquet - The Red Carpet

<b>2012-2013 KEN &amp; GLENDA SCHAFFER - HOXIE</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - AUTIN, TX</b>
<b>T UP 4 ELKS</b>
Thursday Night - The Practice Round
Friday Morning Coffee - The Birdie Club
Friday Night - The 19th Hole
Saturday Brunch - Brunch With The Caddies
Banquet - The Masters

<b>2013-2014 LARRY &amp; NANCY CURE - GALENA</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - RENO, NV</b>
<b>PAST, PRESENT &amp; FUTURE</b>
Thursday Night - Daily Special
Friday Morning Coffee
Friday Night - Blast From The Past
Saturday Brunch - Bearylicious Time with Friends
Banquet - Honor our Past & Celebrate our Future

<b>2014-2015 VICTOR &amp; CAROLYN SYMONS - LIBERAL</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - NEW ORLEANS, LA</b>
<b>KANSAS DELIVERS FOR ELKDOM</b>
Thursday Night - Daily Mail
Friday Morning Coffee - First Class Coffee
Friday Night - Elks Return to Sender
Saturday Brunch - Pen Pals
Banquet - Kansas Delivers for Elkdom

<b>2015-2016 James Capper &amp; Melinda Baumann- Overland Park</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - INDIANAPOLIS, IN</b>
<b>THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE ELKDOM</b>
Thursday Night - Lions, Tigers, & Elks
Friday Morning Coffee - Beyond The Rainbow
Friday Night - A Trip Through the Land Of OZ
Saturday Brunch - Hanging Out At Auntie Em's
Banquet - The Emerald Ball

<b>2016-2017 Loren &amp; Jackie Anthony -El Dorado</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - HOUSTON, TX</b>
<b>UNITED FOR PROGRESS</b>
Thursday Night - War Plan Room
Friday Morning Coffee - Ladies Coffee
Friday Night - Officers Mess
Saturday Brunch - Dining With Dames
Banquet - The Last Show

<b>2017-2018 David &amp; Sandy Anthony - Pratt</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - RENO, NV</b>
<b>ELK HUNT</b>
Thursday Night - Social Night
Friday Morning Coffee - Outfit Her
Friday Night - Trail Cam
Saturday Brunch - While The Hunters Are Away.....
Banquet - The Hunt Continues

<b>2018-2019 Deborah &amp; Steve Betts - Atchison</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - SAN ANTONIO, TX</b>
<b>THE TREE OF LIFE</b>
Thursday Night - Growing from Our Roots
Friday Morning Coffee - Shining Through Our Branches
Friday Night - Branches of Our Tree of Life
Saturday Brunch - Friends of the Forest
Banquet - Growing from Our Roots with Integrity

<b>2019-2020 Tom &amp; Kathy Clark</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - ST. LOUIS, MO</b>
<b>HOOKED ON ELKS</b>
Thursday Night - Setting the Hooks
Friday Morning Coffee - Happiness is a Picnic
Friday Night - Cast Away Your Troubles
Saturday Brunch - Everyday is a Picnic When You Are With Friends
Banquet - Reeling In All Elks

<b>2020-2021 Zona Price</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - BALTIMORE, MD (COVID Pandemic Cancelled)</b>
<b>KANSAS TRADITIONS &amp; WINDS OF CHANGE</b>
Thursday Night - Social Night
Friday Morning Coffee - Spring Breeze
Friday Night - A Traditional Kansas Sunset
Saturday Brunch - Changing Winds
Banquet - Celebration Kansas Elks Traditions

<b>2021-2022 Jim Standen</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - TAMPA, FL</b>
<b>PROTECTING ELKDOM - SERVING COMMUNITIES</b>
Thursday Night - The Mob
Friday Morning Coffee - Early Court Appearance
Friday Night - Raiding the Bookie
Saturday Brunch - Squad Meeting
Banquet - Usual Suspects

<b>2022-2023 Bruce &amp; Pippa Boone</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - ATLANTA, GA</b>
<b>LOCKED IN WITH THE ELKS</b>
Friday Morning Coffee - Stand by Your Man
Friday Night - Life Without Parole with the Elks
Saturday Brunch - Doing Time with Your Partner in Crime
Banquet - Parole Denied, Once an Elk Always an Elk!

<b>2023-2024 Roger &amp; Susan Slief</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - MINNEAPOLIS, MN</b>
<b>RAISE THE ROOF FOR ELKS</b>
Friday Morning Coffee - Bidding Crew
Friday Night - Break Time
Saturday Brunch - The Estimators
Banquet - Final Inspection

<b>2024-2025 Kerry &amp; Laura Toomey</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - AUSTIN, TX</b>
<b>RIDING INTO THE FUTURE</b>
Friday Morning Coffee - Not All Who Wander Are Lost
Friday Night - Elks Are Born To Be Wild
Saturday Brunch - Slow Ride, Take It Easy
Banquet - Shifting Gears For The Future Of Elks

<b>2025-2026 Kathy &amp; Tom Clark</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - KANSAS CITY, MO</b>
<b>Elks Like Sunflowers Grow Together in Grace and Knowledge</b>

Friday Morning Coffee - Planting Smiles One Sunflower at a Time
Friday Night - Elks Deeds Make Heads Turn Like Sunflowers
Saturday Brunch - Sunflowers + Good Company = Perfect Moments
Banquet - Plant a Garden to Believe in Tomorrow

<b>2026-2027 Mick &amp; Coleen Allen</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - CHICAGO, IL</b>
<b>Strength, Service, and the Elks' Spirit</b>
Friday Morning Coffee -
Friday Night -
Saturday Brunch -
Banquet -

<b>2027-2028 Aldie &amp; Bev Ensminger</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - DENVER, CO</b>
Friday Morning Coffee -
Friday Night -
Saturday Brunch -
Banquet -

<b>2028-2029 Cecil Davidson &amp; Gail Welden</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE - BALTIMORE, MD</b>
Friday Morning Coffee -
Friday Night -
Saturday Brunch -
Banquet -

<b>2029-2030</b>
<b>GRAND LODGE -</b>
Friday Morning Coffee -
Friday Night -
Saturday Brunch -
Banquet -