

Farmington *Elks* Track

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From the ER:

Well, the dog days of summer are starting to drag along as we get into August, but there are some great things going on with your Lodge this month.

In July, Tom Killiany visited San Antonio and came back from the Elks National Convention with a lot of great information that we can all appreciate. One thing he saw was this wonderful video called "150 for 150". This was a bringing together of 150 MVS winners to San Antonio to celebrate our 150th anniversary. It highlights the wonderful kids from all over the country who won scholarship money provided by the Elks. They are truly inspirational and should give us all hope for a great future of Elkdom. I encourage you to watch the video on www.elks.org.

Looking at events around the lodge in August, things look pretty corny. On Saturday August 18th, we will be having our annual corn roast at the Downtown Farmington Farmers Market. Volunteers are still needed, so talk to Kevin Goshorn if you're interested. Also on Sunday August 19th, we will be having a Corn Hole Tournament. This includes a Family Pot Luck, so let's get out there and have a great time.

This month's Thursday night meal is going to be a pulled pork sandwich along with cole slaw, price \$3.50.

For all Lodge members, we have a proposed change to our by-laws to be voted on at the August 15th Lodge meeting. Formal notification is elsewhere in this edition of the Track. Please join us to voice your opinion.

One last thing; ask about Hot August Nights going on for the entire month of August.

Fraternally Steve Luce



From the Desk of the Secretary

Just wanted to give everyone an update on our membership counts for the year.

New Members: 4 Transferred Out: 2

Deaths: 1

Current Membership: 223

Delinquents: 11

Life Membership %: 20.27

(Life Member waiting list: 1)

In addition, you may recall we dropped 8 members at the beginning of the year for nonpayment. If you know one of these individuals you might mention to them that, during the months of August and September, the normal reinstatement fee of \$15.00 is reduced to \$1.00. To be reinstated they need to fill out a reinstatement application, pay the fee, be voted in on the Lodge floor and pay the prorated dues for the rest of the year. That's all there is to it, no additional requirements or initiation needed.

Forms are available from the office or behind the bar. Let's get these members back!

> Tom Killiany, PER Lodge Secretary Farmington Elks #1986

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Lodge Meetings

1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month (Except July & August) Meetings start at 8:00pm

Lounge Hours

4:00 - 10:00, Monday – Friday 4:00 - 10:00 Saturday (open earlier for events) 4:00 - 9:00 Sundays (open earlier for events)

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Internet Sites

Website: http://elks1986.weebly.com Calendar: http://tinyurl.com/99urhlo Facebook: Look for Farmington Elks #1986

Tracks

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Inner GuardOpen
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Lodge PiperTodd Wyber

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Fred McGrath4 Year Trustee 248-345-8490					
Carol Clark, Secretary5 Year Trustee 734-634-0997					
(Board of Directors also includes Exalted Ruler, Leading					
Knight, Loyal Knight, and Lecturing Knight)					

2018 - 2019 Committees

Accident PrevKevin Goshorn, PER248-996-5991
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Drug Awareness Open
Flag DayKevin Goshorn, PER248-996-5991
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Hoop ShootBob Michela517-740-1232
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Lodge SecurityKevin Goshorn, PER248-996-5991
Major ProjectsJennifer Chinn, PER
Membership248-921-3261
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Nat'l Fndtn Kevin Goshorn, PER (Co-Chair) 248-996-5991
Phyllis Mirling, PER (Co-Chair) . 248-752-4995
Public Relations Phyllis Evans
ScholarshipsJennifer Chinn, PER248-421-6349
Veterans
Youth Activities Open

2018 – 2019 Building Corporation

Betty Jean Hebel - President, Jerry Holcomb - V. President Rick Brenz - Treasurer, Andrew Lauderback - Secretary, Tom Bozek, Gary Gundle and Bob Koenig

2017-18 Lodge Award Winners

Elk of the Year: Carol Clark Officer of the Year: Paul Masciarelli Citizen of the Year: Jennifer Milton GER Award: Laurie Kuznia GER Award: Jennifer Chinn, PER August, 2018

Notice of Proposed By-Law Change

At the regular Lodge meeting on July 18, 2018 a revision to the Lodge By-Laws was proposed in writing, read on the floor and laid over for a vote.

Current By-Law:

ARTICLE IX: CLUB OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT

Section 1. The operation, management and control of the Home, Club or other facility owned and/or occupied by this Lodge shall be supervised and conducted by: The Exalted Ruler, Esteemed Leading Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Esteemed Lecturing Knight, and the Trustees of the Lodge.

Proposed Change:

ARTICLE IX: CLUB OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT

Section 1. The operation, management and control of the Home, Club or other facility owned and/or occupied by this Lodge shall be supervised and conducted by: A House Committee consisting of 9 members who are appointed by the Exalted Ruler of the Lodge.

By order of the Exalted Ruler, discussion and voting on the proposed change will take place at the regular Lodge meeting, convening at 8pm, on August 15, 2018. (This notice fulfills the requirement that a written notification is sent to the membership.)

> **Thomas Killiany, PER** Lodge Secretary Farmington Elks #1986

2018-2019 Events

- Aug 11 Metro Dist Gold Key Golf - Pt. Huron Elks
 - 18 Downtown Corn Roast
 - 19 Family Pot Luck/Corn Hole Tourney
- Sept 8 PER Steak Out? 9 Metro District Mtg
 - Pinochle 15
 - 16 Golf Banquet
 - 25 Oktoberfest
 - 29 Downtown Italian American Day
- Oct 6 State Ritual Clinic
 - 13 Lodge Halloween Party
 - 19-21 MEA Fall Conv, Radisson Kalamazoo
 - 20 MSU vs UM
 - 27 Pinochle
- **Hoop Shoot** Nov 10 MSU vs OSU
 - 11 Veterans Day
 - 17 Pinochle
 - 22 Thanksgiving
 - 24 UM vs OSU
- Dec Memorial Service 2 9 Children's Christmas Party
 - 15
 - Pinochle
- Ugly Xmas Sweater Party 29 12 Jan
 - Glow Ball Tournament 13 Metro Dist Mtg
 - 19 Pinochle
 - 26 White Elephant Party
- Super Bowl Sunday Feb 3
 - 6 Nominations
 - Pinochle 16
- 20 Election of Officers
- Mar 2 9-Ball Tourney
 - 16 Pinochle
 - Installation of Officers 30

New Member Profile

No new members to profile this month. Let's see if we can get some new people in here to join us at the Farmington Lodge!



Did You Know????

If you read this newsletter, you know that we have (and have had for many years) a website, and we also have a presence on Facebook. Nearly 50% of our members are signed up to receive weekly reminders and special notices by email.

Those same people also receive a PDF version of the monthly newsletter in full color several days before the paper copies arrive in mailboxes. Every copy that we can send by email saves on our printing and postage budget. Want your newsletter by email, along with weekly reminders? Just send a request to:

farmingtonelks@gmail.com

August, 2018

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- Edward L Campbell
 Michael C McGrath
- *James E Templin*
- 5 Beverly L Carr
- 8 Jim Madigan
- 10 Howard Sikra
- 16 Joyce E Strong
- Brent Thorne
- 17 Carla May Lucas
- 19 James A Clark
- 21 Billy L Vance
- 22 Andrew Larson
- 23 Edward E Caughell
- 24 Robert Remick
- 25 Eldon C Dillon
- Russell Masura Melvin E Orchard
- 27 Danny Duhani
- 29 Steven Luce

Chat with the Chaplain

About the time we can make ends meet, somebody moves the ends.

Eldon



Need a gift idea?

Gift Certificates for the Dining Room and Bar are always available at the Office. Just check with Jen.

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler

MICHAEL T. LUHR

A new Elks year means a new donation goal

I am gratified and humbled to have been chosen as the National President of an organization that does so much for communities all across this great land. The hard work of every Local Lodge Member is what makes our charitable work possible, which is why I chose the theme "Working Together to Make a Difference" for this exciting new Elks year.

As Elks, we are all working toward a common goal, whether it be Lodge Members giving back to their communities, strengthening a charitable organization through a State Association's Major Project, or enriching a life because of a Grand Lodge Program. These are the ways we truly make a difference in people's lives.

This year, I have set the ENF donation goal at \$4.75 per Member. I encourage everyone to donate. When you give back to the ENF, Lodges throughout the country are able to take advantage of the numerous charitable opportunities it provides. The difference your Lodge can make in your community is more than doubled by taking advantage of these incredible opportunities.

I also encourage you to take a hard look at the programs and contributions your Local Lodge makes to your community. Is your community aware of the impact your Lodge makes on the lives of people living in your town? Are your contributions meeting your goals? Are you making the most of the ENF grants offered through Grand Lodge?

The Elks provide the perfect opportunity to get involved in projects that benefit the community while enjoying the personal rewards that come from unselfishly giving back. Best of all, we reap the rewards of benevolence while enjoying the camaraderie of our families and closest friends. Make sure that both current and prospective Members are aware of the good work you're doing in your community. Provide them with a well-maintained, inviting, and fun place to socialize. Not only will your Lodge grow, but you'll also find more people eager to volunteer.

Barb and I are looking forward to our travels across the United States to see the great work you're doing in your Local Lodges and State Associations. Most of all, we are looking forward to meeting all of the amazing Elks who are so dedicated to our grand organization. Hope to see you soon.



August, 2018



Family Cornhole Tournament and Potluck Sunday August 19th

> 4:00 PM Potluck Set Up 4:30 Cornhole Starts

Cornhole is a game for all ages. We are playing a double elimination style tournament. You must lose 2 games to be out. You can sign up as a single and we will partner you with someone or with a partner. All ages encouraged to play.

Don't play? Come cheer on your favorite team and enjoy a family potluck

Must sign up for cornhole tournament by Thursday, August 16th. it's not necessary to sign up for potluck.

Don't Forget!!!

Thursdays in August — Pulled Pork Sandwich - \$3.50 Saturday, August 18 — Corn Roast at the Farmer's Market Sunday, August 19th — Cornhole Tournament & Potluck

Kitchen News

Great Friday the 13th at the Lodge

As part of Christmas In July, the July 13th Friday evening meal at the Lodge was a huge success. We even had a visit by Santa (our own PER Joe Homick) who, with his wife, spent the evening with us. We served 45 meals, and that was a big improvement over recent months.

As with most successful events, it took a great crew. Gary Groves came back out of retirement and did his usual superb job as our chef for the evening. Jim Wlosinski did all of the prep work for the evening, as he had done so many times in the past. And where would we be without great waitressing? Laurie Kuznia and Katie O'Leary were just great as they waited on our members and guests. Last but not least, our bar manager Teresa Leithead did her usual terrific job at serving pops to us all.

Our Extra Special thanks to those who came and enjoyed the food. Without you, it never would have been a success. Our apologies to those who were advised that we had run out of baked potatoes, shrimp and cole slaw. From the Lodge to each and every one of you, our thanks for being a part of a great evening at the Lodge. Hope to see you at the Lodge, **soon**.

The Committee



\$5.00 Off Birthday Coupon Present this coupon within 30 days of your birthday and receive \$5.00 off your food or beverage bill. Name Birth Date ________ Membership # ______ Note: Limit one (1) coupon per member per year.

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Your Penny Banks At Work

The Michigan Elks Major Project is one charity that uses all of the money we donate to help children with special needs. All applying families are screened to ensure that there is a definite need for financial help. This Michigan Elks Charity uses your donations and income from investments in the following ways:



• To pay for part or all of the tuition needed to send children with special needs to special and remedial summer camps.

• To pay for tuition to special remedial programs at other facilities.

• To purchase supporting items to help these children in their everyday life, like wheel chairs, braces and computers.

• To help build wheelchair ramps.

We want to make sure that the handicapped child will be the recipient of our investments. Therefore the tuition fees are sent directly to the facility that the child will be attending. Equipment purchases are made by the members of the MMP Commission and delivered to the home of the child.

Our goal is to help these special children become selfsupporting and contributing citizens. Your penny a day donations do make a difference, and you can see the difference right here in our community and in our Lodge.



Saturday, August 18 from 9:00am – 12:00pm

Downtown Farmington at the Farmers' Market \$1 ears of corn Freshly grilled and dipped in butter Volunteers Needed - Sign up at the Lodge

(If you can't make it for the Corn Roast, watch for more info on the Farmington Italian American Day in September.) Thirsty Thursday Special

In August we are doing pulled pork sandwiches with a side of coleslaw for Thursday dinners — \$3.50 plus tax.

There will be a small amount of pulled chicken also available for those that don't eat pork.

Elks National Foundation

MVS Scholarship opens this month

By TAYLOR ODISHO

ENF Communications Assistant

Every year, the Elks National Foundation awards the Most Valuble Student scholarship to 500 of the most intelligent, service-minded leaders who are embarking on their college career.

The application opens online on August 15. All high school seniors who are U.S. citizens are welcome to apply. Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. The top 20 finalists will participate in an all-expenses paid Leadership Weekend in Chicago April 11–14, 2019.

Throughout the weekend, the finalists will engage, serve, and interview with national judges for the top prizes. Two first-place awards of \$50,000, two second-place awards of \$40,000, and two third-place awards of \$30,000 will be given to the top scholars. The remaining 14 finalists will receive \$20,000. The 480 runners-up will receive fifth-place scholarships of \$4,000.

The deadline to apply for the MVS scholarship is November 15. This is a great opportunity for students to join the #ElksFamily and be part of a lifelong network. If you know someone who is eligible to apply, visit enf.elks. org/MVS for more information.

(From the Grand Lodge August 2018 Newsletter)

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August, 2018								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
July 29	30	31	1	2	3	4		
Club Open 4 PM Old Timers Picnic	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM		Club Open 4 PM Pulled Pork - \$3.50	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Club Open 4 PM		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11		
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	6:00 House Comm	Club Open 4 PM Pulled Pork - \$3.50	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Metro Gold Key Outing @ Port Huron Elks Club Open 4 PM		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	6:00 PM Bldg Corp Mtg 8:00 Lodge Mtg	Club Open 4 PM Pulled Pork - \$3.50	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Downtown Corn Roast Club Open 4 PM		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25		
Club Open 4 PM Cornhole Tournament & Pot Luck	Club Open 4 PM Track Deadline	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM		Club Open 4 PM Pulled Pork - \$3.50	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Club Open 4 PM		
26	27	28	29	30	31	September 1		
Club Open 4 PM Look for calendar up http://tinyurl.		Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	6:00 PM Bd of Dir Mtg	Club Open 4 PM Pulled Pork - \$3.50	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Club Open 4 PM		