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EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

My Brothers and Ladies,

Here it is February already, one of the quietest months of the year. This is when we as Elks need to support our Lodge more than at any other time. We have the Cub Scouts coming in on the 10th for their Blue and Gold Banquet. On February 16 is the "365" Valentine Dance. On Thursday evenings we have Bill Kahler in the lounge.

In March we will have the Exhausted Rooster Ball, the St. Patrick's Day Party, the Installation of Officers and finally, Easter Brunch with the Bunny in attendance for the little ones. The Exhausted Rooster Ball is always a fun night and I hope to see all of you there. Anyone who wishes to participate and say a few kind or not so kind things about me should contact Al Young. I will also be presenting some awards that night.

The first meeting in February is the nominations of officers for the coming year. The second meeting is election night. I hope you will all turn out and vote. Remember, this is your Lodge. We have come a long way this year. We are again on the right path and the Lodge is doing well and it is important that we take an interest in who is elected. It will be their responsibility to keep us informed and

running on the right path.

I would like to thank Bob Nicolai and Harry Wenner for the fine job they did in the front lobby. It really looks great. Bob Nicolai has done a lot for the Lodge this year. Thanks a lot, Bob. We really appreciate it. Before heading to Florida, Bob promised to help with the back lobby when in the spring.

I hope to see all of you around the Lodge.

Fraternally,
Richard Evans
Exalted Ruler

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DECEMBER LOTTO WINNERS

12/01 680	Dave Seeley (253)
12/02 525	Gloria Bozak
12/04 177	Lloyd Haycock
12/05 169	D. Dahlstrom (628)
12/06 413	Ted Kulisz
12/07 510	George Gray
12/08 764	Lois Gorpe
12/10 078	Mike LaFever
12/11 288	Keith Beach
12/12 963	C. Langham (815)
12/13 752	Bob Koenig
12/14 967	P. Williams (257)
12/15 361	R. Evans (624)
12/17 102	S. Giannosa (280)
12/18 332	G. Nausley (204)
12/19 171	D. Nelson (929)
12/20 504	Pat Lambert
12/21 057	Ron Burch (594)
12/22 799	Willie Mueller
12/24 900	Pauline Mato
12/26 980	Don Briggs
12/27 966	G. Mitchell (187)
12/28 983	C. Bridges
12/29 588	C. Remus (089)
12/31 291	G. Carlson

NOTICE



Nominations for Officers for the 1991-1992 lodge year will take place at our regular meeting of February 6, 1991. Nominations will be open for the following positions: Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, Lecturing Knight, Tiler, 5 Year Trustee, Secretary and Treasurer. Election of Officers will be held at our regular meeting of February 20, 1991. It is important that everyone attend these meetings so that we can select the best people available for these positions.

DUES

The dues notices for 1991-1992 will be in the mail by mid-February. When you pay your dues, please return the dues notice also. This makes it much easier to record your dues and return your new card. If you want an identification card for your wife, please request it when you pay your dues. Wives cards will not be mailed separately

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 1-2	Dist. Ritual Contest
2-3	St. Ladies Bowling
6	Lodge/Vivian Mtg.
9	Euchre Party
14	Widows/ Widowers
16	365 Dance
20	Election Meeting

OFFICERS FOR 1990-1991

Exalted Ruler Richard Evans
Leading Knight Robert Misenar
Loyal Knight J. William Berry III
Lecturing Knight Hal Wiessbock
Secretary Charles Snearly, PER
Treasurer William O'Connor, PER
Inner Guard David Misenar
Tiler Gil Musselman
Chaplain Gene Fendelet
Esquire Doug Hodges
Organist August Borman, Jr.
Soloist Stephen Magyari, PER
Ritual Coach L. Ashmore, PDDGER

TRUSTEES

Robert Hornsby, Chairman 5-Year
Paul Horton 4-Year
Allen P. Young, PER 3-Year
Walter Wiessbock 2-Year
Jack Dahlstrom 1-Year

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OFFICE BUSINESS HOURS

9:00 AM To 4:00 PM

Monday thru Friday

Club Secretary Michelle Ross
Track Editor Phyllis Evans
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VIVIAN NEWS

Dear Vivians,

A big thank you to our workers at the January 5th Hoop Shoot Contest who worked at the school or back at the Lodge serving lunch. It was greatly appreciated. To those of you who donated cookies, our thanks go out to you also. We had such a large turnout, we decided to take down the Christmas decorations instead of the next day. The help of our husbands made our job easier.

A big thanks also to Billie Misenar for cleaning the Vivian storage room after our recent flood. Billie was assisted by some of the men from the card room, true gentlemen. Thank you.

Our annual election will be held at our next meeting on February 6th. You will be receiving a letter listing the names of the

nominees. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor. Join us for this important meeting. You must be a paid-up member and be present in order to cast your ballot.

Dates to Remember:
Valentine Dance, Feb 16th - that's the 365 Banks - *please* - put your name and "Vivian" on each bank; March 2nd, Exhausted Rooster Ball; March 23rd, Mens and Ladies Installation. Please try to attend. Hope to see you there.

As ever,

Betty Dahlstrom
Vivian President

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SECRETARY'S CORNER

The following new Brothers were initiated during DDGER Firl Miller's visitation on December 19.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Gregory Young	H. Phinney
Michael Curd	John Curd
Steven Curd	John Curd
Robert Sobranski	John Curd
Ralph Dearth	Henry Boron
Dr. James Irwin	H. Bonser
Gerald Black	E Heinebrodt
Richard Sager	F. Koontz
Thomas Roberts	R. Evans
Oris O'Daniel	R. Evans
Nick Graor	W Wiessbock
Albert A Wohlart	A H Wohlart

Many sponsors are giving their candidates misinformation about joining our Lodge. We only require a \$25.00 deposit with the application and please remember that dues are prorated after October 1. Sponsors are expected to accompany their candidates to the indoctrination program and the initiation. If this cannot be done, please ask another member to fill in for you.

Dr. Murray A. Leitch, former member of our Lodge, passed away in April, 1990. We regret that we were not informed of this earlier. If you know of the death of a

Brother or former member of our Lodge, please inform the office.

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MANAGER'S NOTES:

My column this month will be kind of a pseudo "State of The Club" message.

After being here approximately three quarters of a year, I have somewhat gotten to know the intricacies of the Farmington Elks Club. My thoughts and comments below reflect this tenure.

1990 has brought us increased daily, banquet and off premise catering business. This increased activity is a direct result of the aesthetic improvements, if you will, new image of the club, better food quality, and more attentive service. As everyone must realize, it takes time to mold the right team, and in the food and beverage business you do not hit the center of the target 100% of the time. There are many variables that affect this, ie training, retraining, aging equipment, complacency and sometimes just member preset attitudes and expectations. Overall, 1990 was a positive turn-around year for the Farmington Elks Club

1991 is up to us. Let us all stay positive and support the Club even more than you have in the past. Focus your positive energy to maintain the new found enthusiasm. We in the food and beverage area will also strive to do our part.

Any suggestions and comments are always welcome. Feedback is very important to properly monitor policy and direction. Please look over the monthly calendar so that you don't miss any of the activities. Here's to our future.

Yours truly,
Bob McDonald

WILMA'S KORNER

Another year, another new beginning. Bob and May Koenig became grandparents again December 22nd. Their daughter Jane had a baby girl, named her Alison Rebekkah. She was a little premature, but weighed in at 5 lb, 9 ozs.

Help! Help! Bill and Cindy Berry are expecting next month and are in need of a baby sitter as Cindy plans to return to work later. Contact Bill through the lodge if you know of someone interested.

Harry and Annabel Fitzpatrick left January 6th to winter in Arizona. Harry will celebrate another birthday February 2nd.

Jack and Barney Curd celebrated 48 years together January 13th. Jack had a birthday January 17th. Barney is looking well and says she is feeling better.

Whoops! Forgot Lillian Moss had a birthday December 19th. Lillian has been a big help in giving to turn the Lodge around. Sorry! Stan and Jan Polk will celebrate 53 years of wedded bliss January 29th.

Audre Way had a birthday January 9th. Herm Laitch celebrated his day on New Years. Other birthdays in January include Les Kellogg the 12th, Al Schuette the 19th and Don Howe the 3rd. Hazel and Wil Nodacker celebrate an anniversary January 31st.

Betty and Pat Williams will be married 45 years February 2nd. Frank Morgan celebrates his day February 9th. Frank Gibbons will be another year older on the 11th.

Olie Taylor is out of the hospital after a few weeks of serious illness. He has been having heart problems. We wish him well.

Doug and Gerri Kanack will be taking a trip to Florida, leaving February 4th

and plan to return late in March. Sherri and Kenn Hill will leave January 17th for a few weeks at their time-share, and visiting in Florida. Kenn celebrates another birthday February 17th.

A business man who was near death asked that his cremated remains be sent to the Internal Revenue Service with the following message: "Now you have it all."

Until next month, keep your news coming.

Wilma - 474-9354

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MAJOR PROJECT - 365 Banks

Frank Visger	6
Bob Smart	3
Joe Herbert	2
Harold Westfall	2
Bill Murley	3
Bill Diehr	1
Fitzgerald	1
D & E Wendrick	1
Bob Bacon	1
Barsy	1
Jack Dutton	1
Kenneweg	1
J. McDonald	1
Jack Ellison	1
Bill Podina	1
Bachman	2
Richard Evans	2
Yvonne Evans	1
Bart Cady	1
Bob & Billie Misener	1
Helga	1
Christine	1
Geri	1
Waitstaff	1
VIVIANS	
Tomi Ratzloff	3
Betty Dahlstrom	1
Marilyn Smart	2
Helen Misener	1
Kathy Maloney	4

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HOOP SHOOT '91

My Brothers and Dear Ladies,

A big thank you! To all who donated funds, food and free time to our Lodge Hoop Shoot. It was a huge success.

Thanks again.

Steve & Joe

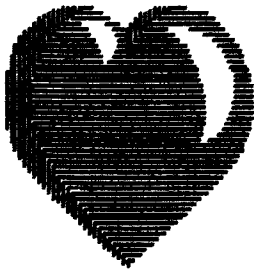
HOUSE COMMITTEE MESSAGE

With the holiday season and the year of 1990 behind us, it is time to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year and establish our direction for 1991. This message is dedicated to our manager, Bob McDonald, his staff and the many positive changes which have taken place in our Lodge during 1990 due to their efforts. In the past year we have seen significant improvement in the quality of food, variety of menu offerings, level of service, attitude of our staff and the overall administration of the Dining Room, Bar, Catering and Banquet Operations. These improvements have resulted in a substantial increase in the use of our Lodge by our membership, guests and outside organizations. I think we all recognize that we can thank Bob McDonald and his staff for these improvements and the positive changes that have been made in these areas during 1990.

As we look toward the new year, it is essential that we continue to build on this positive foundation and rise to the challenges ahead of us. With this as our objective, the Trustees and the House Committee have agreed to provide our manager with the support he needs to continue this progress. This support includes complete management control and responsibility of the Dining Room, Bar, Catering and Banquet Operations. Our entire staff, including the accounting function supporting these areas, will report to our manager. Bob McDonald has earned our respect and our trust. We sincerely believe these changes will ensure that the accomplishments of last year can and will become the foundation for further positive change during the coming year.

VALENTINE "365" DINNER DANCE

Saturday, February 16, 1991



MENU

Homemade Lasagna au Gratin - \$7.95

Chicken Cordon Bleu - \$9.95

Boneless breast of chicken stuffed with ham and Swiss cheese, lightly breaded and baked. Served with Sauce Supreme.

Crab Stuffed Sole - \$10.95

Fillet of Sole with crabmeat stuffing, dredged in a light breading and baked to a golden brown.

Filet Mignon - \$13.95

Served with Bordelaise Sauce

Lobster and Filet - \$19.95

6 oz Filet and a 7 oz Lobster Tail served with drawn butter and sauteed mushrooms.

*All entrees include soup or salad, vegetable potato, garlic sticks and Hot Fudge Brownie Delight
(Tax and gratuity not included.)*

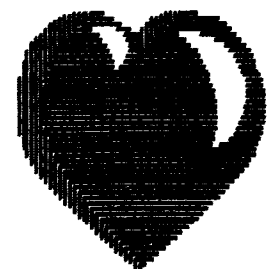
*Complementary glass of wine
with each reservation.*

CASH BAR



Music by

SUMMER BREEZE

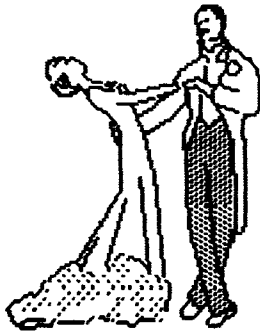


Reservations Please!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR 365 BANKS

INAUGURAL BALL

Saturday, March 23, 1991



Installation

Elks - 4:30 PM

Vivians - 5:30 PM

Cocktails - 6:30 PM

Dinner 7:30 PM

Dancing - 9:00 PM

General Chairman - Larry Ashmore

Music by

SUMMER BREEZE

MENU

Chicken Cordon Bleu - \$18.00

Baked Orange Roughy - \$18.00

Filet Mignon - \$20.00

Tossed Garden Salad

Broccoli & Cauliflower with Cheese Sauce

Twice Baked Potato

Dessert - Hot Fudge Cream Puff

CASH BAR

Call Michelle for Reservations and Entree Selections

EXHAUSTED

ROOSTER

BALL



SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1991

**Come And See E. R. Richard Evans
Get The Bird**

**If you would like to assist in
roasting our E.R. please
contact Al Young.**

**Cocktails - 6:30 PM
Dinner - 7:30 PM
Dancing - 8:30 PM**

Chef's Buffet

\$9.95 per person plus tax and tip

CASH BAR

Music by J. J. & Company

**Please make your reservations
by February 23rd**

**FOR YOUR DINING
PLEASURE**

**RESERVATIONS SUGGESTED
PLEASE BE ON TIME**

MONDAY - FRIDAY LUNCH

11:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Weekly Drink Specials

Daily Lunch Specials

Plus Regular Luncheon Menu



MONDAY NITE

Complementary Hors D'oeuvres

5 - 6 PM



TUESDAY

Specials and Regular Dinner Menu

Til 9 PM

Senior Citizens -

\$1 off Regular Dinner Entree

WEDNESDAY - Lodge Nite

Specials and Regular Dinner Menu

Til 9 PM

THURSDAY

! Attention Bowlers !

Specials and Regular Dinner Menu

Til 10 PM

ENTERTAINMENT

FRIDAY

Special Fish & Chicken Buffet

Plus all the Fixins

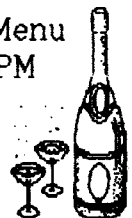
Spaghetti - All You Can Eat

Prime Rib

Plus Specials and Regular Menu

Dancing 7:30 PM - 11:30 PM

RESERVATIONS PLEASE



SATURDAY

Early Bird Dining 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Dinner Menu Til 9:00 PM

Reservations Suggested

February 1991

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

						1 Band: Summer Breeze Host: P.E.R.'s	2 Ground Hog Day State Ladies Bowling Tournament District Ritual Contest at Livonia
3 Closed State Ladies Bowling Tournament	4	5	6 General Meeting	7		8 Band: Darrel & Jean Host: Hal Wiessbock	9
10 Closed	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13 House Meeting	14 Chinese / Japanese New Year Valentine's Day Widows-Widower Meeting	15 Band: Summer Breeze Host: Gene Fendelet	16 Band: Summer Breeze State Mens Bowling Tournament Valentine's Dinner Dance	
17 Closed State Mens Bowling Tournament	18 Presidents' Day	19	20 Election Meeting	21	22 Band: Darrel & Jean Host: Dave Misenaar Washington's Birthday	23 American Legion Stag Night	
24 Closed	25	26	27 Trustee Meeting	28			

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BENEFIT STAG DINNER/EVENING

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Saturday, February 23, 1991 - 5:00 PM to 2:00 AM
Farmington Lodge - 23666 Orchard Lake Road
DONATION \$125.00

Includes Hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, dinner and entertainment.
Plus **over \$8,000.00** in prizes will be given out. For tickets or information
Contact FRED O'DRAS - 684-5412 or STEVE BARSY - 1-437-0596 or BOB HORNSBY - 937-390



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