



Farmington Elks Track

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From the Desk of the ER:

Members All,

Remember when the license plates were stamped with "Water, Winter, Wonderland"? My friends, this may not be a polar vortex, yet we have endured Mother Nature's wrath and I am glad to report that there have not been any slips or falls resulting in injury to anyone.

January brought forth not only a new year but an incredibly great time at the Glo-Pool Tournament. Congrats to Cindy & Rich Shelly for taking out myself and the rest of the participants in great fashion. Big kudos to Jenn and Rick Milton for such a fun evening.

Thanks to all for appreciating our Breakfast Club. You've a volunteer staff that provides excellent service and superior food. YOU have shown your support of this endeavor, thanks to you and the entire staff.

Representing our Lodge, I had the privilege of nominating our secretary Thomas Killiany DVC for the position of District Vice President at the District Meeting on January 14th, 2018 and am elated to report that Thomas Killiany DVC was elected to that position. Tom, may you know that we are confident that you shall fulfill this responsibility with flying colors.

Speaking of nominations, YOUR Lodge will be accepting nominations for the 2018/2019 year at the Lodge Meeting on February 7, 2018. It is my sincere calling upon YOU to support your Lodge, your current officers, staff and volunteers. Yes, it's time to "Step Up", do something you know you should yet have apprehension with. Rise above; make a difference within yourself, your Lodge and YOUR Obligation to the Order.

We've plenty of activities to enjoy around the Lodge and we hope to see you there. For without you, we are not a whole.

Fraternally,
Jimmi

Annual Elections

Nominations of Lodge Officers occur during the first Lodge meeting in February (Feb. 7th). If only one person is nominated for a position at that meeting nominations are closed and that person wins the seat outright. If two or more people are nominated for a seat (on the 1st meeting night) then we will have an election for that seat during the second meeting (Feb. 21st) of the month.

All nominations and voting happen on the floor of the Lodge while the Lodge is in session. Proxies and/or absentee votes are not allowed.

Tom Killiany, DVC
Lodge Secretary



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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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Lodge Secretary – Tom Killiany, DVC
Elks1986@gmail.com

Office Hours 6:00 – 8:00 PM Monday & Wednesday
or by appointment

Internet Sites

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

Tracks

Newsletter Article Deadline – 17th of the month
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Send your request to farmingtonelks@gmail.com

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Lecturing Knight ... Rick Lefevre, PER 248-685-2025
Secretary Tom Killiany, DVC 248-974-5663
Treasurer Bob Koenig 248-474-6405
Esquire Greg Larscheidt 248-515-4709
Inner Guard Ted Kulisz 248-476-7269
Tiler April Raitz
Chaplain Eldon Dillon 248-956-8967
Lodge Piper Todd Wyber 248-228-0727

Board of Directors

Paul Masciarelli 1 Year Trustee 248-214-4700
Gary Gundle 2 Year Trustee 248-477-1939
Bob Michela 3 Year Trustee 517-740-1232
Kevin Goshorn, PER.. 4 Year Trustee 248-996-5991
Fred McGrath 5 Year Trustee 248-345-8490
(Board of Directors also includes Exalted Ruler, Leading
Knight, Loyal Knight, and Lecturing Knight)

2017 – 2018 Committees

Accident Prevention Open
Americanism Open
Auditing Phyllis Evans 313-286-6343
Drug Awareness Open
Flag Day Open
Gov. Relations Open
Hoop Shoot Bob Michela 517-740-1232
Lodge Activities Jennifer Milton 248-477-3894
Major Projects Earl Wolfe, PDVP 248-645-1883
Membership Open
Memorial Day Kevin Goshorn, PER 248-996-5991
Nat'l Fndtn... Kevin Goshorn, PER (Co-Chair) 248-996-5991
..... Phyllis Mirling, PER (Co-Chair) . 248-752-4995
Public Relations Open
Scholarships Jennifer Chinn, PER 248-421-6349
Veterans Ann Marie Saviniemi
Youth Activities Open

2017 – 2018 Building Corporation

Betty Jean Hebel - President, Jerry Holcomb - V. President
Rick Brenz - Treasurer, Jim Sockow - Secretary,
Bob Michela, Steve Luce and Bob Koenig

2016-17 Lodge Award Winners

Elk of the Year: Jen Chinn, PER
Officer of the Year: Earl Wolfe PDVC
Citizen of the Year: Cheryl Keeley
GER Award: Teresa Leithead
GER Award: Gary Gundle

2017-2018 Events

Feb 4	Super Bowl
7	Officer Nominations
10	Simply Sinatra Dinner Show
14	Valentine's Day
21	Election of Officers
17	Poker Run Pinochle
20	Heritage Dinner
23	Fish Fry!
24	ENF Reverse Raffle
Mar 3	9 Ball Tournament
10	Checkers Tourney
17	St. Pat's Day Party
24	Pinochle
31	Installation Dinner

February Birthdays

1	Les Baron
2	Andy Weber
4	Don Robinson
5	Max Madigan
7	Carl Welti
10	Dan Darnell
16	Tom Mohan
18	John Sangregario
	Cynthia Shelly
19	Matthew Leithead
22	Joseph Homick, PER
23	Kenneth Carson
26	Joseph Fisher, Jr.

Poker Run

*Saturday February 17th
11:00am to 5:00pm*



*Run by American Legion Post 346 in Farmington
\$35pp includes transportation, dinner and cash prizes
Stops include: Farmington Post 346, Milford Post 216,
Royal Oak Post 253, Berkley Post 374 and
Farmington Elks Lodge 1986
Sign up at the American Legion
31775 Grand River
248-478-9174
GrovesWalkerPost346@gmail.com*

*If you can't make the poker run,
come to the Elks @ 4pm to welcome the bus.*

Donations

Orange Can

Phyllis Evans

MMP (Pink bank)

Mary Ellen Robinson

Bill Ford

Elks Honor Vets At Christmas Event

On Friday December 15th, Elks Lodge 1986 honored veterans at The Manor of Farmington, a retirement facility. The event was entitled "Christmas with our Vets", and it had a great response.



We ended up with an engaged crowd of 16 vets, a spouse of a vet, and a Rosie the Riveter. John Boyd, a member of Elks Lodge #1986 was one of the vets included in the presentation. 7 current members of our Lodge showed up to talk with our vets and enjoyed cake and coffee as well.

The Elks Lodge would like to thank Activities Director Jen Beauman for helping us put this program together. This is part of our ongoing program to honor vets at retirement homes. We will continue to do this quarterly. Our first endeavor for 2018 will be in March. Stay tuned for further updates.

**ENF Spaghetti Dinner**

Feb 24th 5:30 pm.

All you can eat.

*Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Salad
and Dessert — \$10*

Limited to 50 persons

Reservations by Monday, Feb 19, please!

Elks National Foundation Raffle

Tickets are still available for our 5th annual Reverse Raffle benefiting the Elks National Foundation. These tickets can be purchased in the Lodge office or from any bartender. The date & time of the drawing will be Saturday, February 24, 2018 starting at 6:00pm. The cost of each ticket is \$20.00 and is limited to only 200 tickets sold. How it works:

1st & every 25th ticket drawn wins \$50.00

3rd from last ticket drawn wins \$100.00

2nd from last ticket drawn wins \$250.00

Last ticket drawn wins \$1,000.00

Thank you for your support in advance, and remember, winners need not be present to win.

Secretary' Corner

Notice of application and voting on Life Membership Request.

At the Lodge meeting on January 17, 2018 the following individuals were nominated for Life Membership Status.

Written notice was received from member John "Jack" Dutton of Farmington Hills, Mi. Jack has been an Elk for 40 years, is a current member of our Lodge and meets the age requirement.

Written notice was received from member Stephen De Davis of Harlingen, TX. Steve has been an Elk for 39 years, is a current member of our Lodge and meets the age requirement.

ER James Madigan has ordered a secret ballot on these requests to take place during the February 21, 2018 Lodge Meeting.

Tom Killiany, DVC
Lodge Secretary

ARTICLE III: LIFE AND HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Section 2. The Lodge, by an affirmative secret ballot of two thirds of those present at a regular Lodge meeting, may elect a Member in good standing to Honorary Life Membership for distinguished services to the Lodge or to the Order. Any nomination must be in writing and set forth the distinguished services rendered in detail. The Exalted Ruler shall set a date for the ballot on the nomination which shall be no later than the third regular meeting after it is presented. All Members shall receive notice by the Secretary at least ten days prior to the date on which the vote will be taken. The notice shall contain the full text of the nomination. A rejected nomination cannot be presented again within a period of one year from the date of rejection.

New Member Applications

At the Lodge meeting on January 17, 2018 the following individuals were proposed for membership in our Lodge.

Steve Luce proposes:

Christine Doby of 17405 Denby in Redford, Mi. Christine was born in Detroit, is an American Citizen, and has answered all questions favorably.

Transfer Requests:

Rebecca Kashat of 29406 Glen Oaks Blvd., Farmington Hills, Mi. requests a transfer from Pontiac/Waterford #810. Rebecca has been an Elk member for 22 years and is currently in good standing with her present Lodge.

Robert Remick of 22296 Benton Rd., Mesick, Mi. requests a transfer from Manistee Lodge # 250. Robert is a former member of our Lodge (left in 2000), has been an Elk member for 25 years and is currently in good standing with his Lodge.

Voting on these prospective new members is scheduled to take place on February 7, 2018.

Tom Killiany, DVC
Lodge Secretary





*"Star Salute" Dinner Show
Simply Sinatra performed by
Tribute Artist Gary Dixon*

*Saturday, February 10, 2018
Includes Lasagna Dinner and 2-hour show
\$20/person*

*Dinner at 6:00 PM
Show at 7:00 PM*

*Reserved Seating
248-476-1986
Pre-payment required with reservation*

Thank You Corner

Thanks go to guest chef Katie O'Leary for our delicious January Heritage dinner. If you weren't there, you missed a good one.

We are still looking for guest chefs for February 20th and March 20th. We have members willing to assist, prep, shop. If you've been thinking about it, please sign up. Call Jenn Milton 248-477-3894 or the office. **If we can't get a guest chef for February, this month will be canceled. I am going on vacation that week and can not fill in.-Jenn*

*Save the Date:
Saturday March 17th
St. Patrick's Day
Dinner*



Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler

Malcolm J. Mcpherson Jr.

No matter your path, the success of your Lodge relies on this leadership, both past and present.

Retiring officers, your knowledge, contributions, and experience will live on as a valuable resource to those who come after you. New officers, take inspiration from your predecessors to impact positive change and make your own mark on your Lodge.

Both past and current leaders must come together to engage Members and set Lodge goals, and there is no better time to do so than this pivotal anniversary time. As I blow out the candles on the Elks birthday cake this year, it is my wish that each and every Lodge continues to spread our causes of charity, education, and Americanism that our founding Members established.

What is your Elks birthday wish? During our travels in the coming months, Pat and I look forward to meeting more Members of this incredible organization and seeing how you are strengthening Elkdom in your communities as we embark on the next 150 years and beyond.



*Join us for a corned beef dinner
and some shenanigans.
Details and pricing will be in the
next Track and posted at the Lodge.*

From the Editor

Just a quick reminder. Dues notices will be out soon, and your Business Card and Track Patron payments are due at the same time. One check can cover it all. Want changes made to those ads and/or listings? Just let us know. We aim to please.

Chat with the Chaplain

The Chaplain is still snowbirding it in Florida. Stay well.

Goodfellows

The 2017 Mitten Tree was another huge success. Thank you to all of my fellow Elks and their friends, including CAM Administrative Services, Inc. for donating to the Goodfellow Mitten Tree.

A special thank you to all who helped me in setting up the tree and to Tony Ferrante for delivering the items to the Goodfellows. Keep your eyes peeled for winter sales and get good deals for the 2018 tree.

Thank you,
Laurie Kuznia



16th Annual 9-Ball Tournament & Crock-Pot-luck

Saturday, March 3rd, 2018
(Game Starts @ 1pm)



Please don't adjust your TV sets...this announcement is a little early, and for a couple good reasons: first, I wanted to be sure that everyone has ample notice & will help me spread the word so we can maximize participation.

Second, you may have noticed something in the title of this announcement: in lieu of a cook-off "competition," we will have a crock-pot-luck. Just in case anyone was really looking forward to a "cut-throat cookoff competition," I will give a drink chip to anyone who brings a crockpot! That way, everyone's a "winner!" There is, however, only a limited number of chips so it will have to be first come, first served.

We will still be providing a cold-cuts table or party sub, but I would encourage anyone to feel free to bring any desserts. Finally, we had 16 competitors last year. My personal goal is to double that, but if I could get the number over 20, then I'd be happy. Tournament open to both men and women.

Thanks, and hope to see you all there!
Faternally Yours,
Rick Bowes

Building Corporation News

Update — Be Careful!

This area of Michigan is experiencing very harsh winter weather which has caused the parking lot to 'heave' (causing it to lift up somewhat). Consequently, the areas where the asphalt and the cement meet (at the curbs, for example) are not even. This situation will resolve as the spring thaw occurs.

Please be careful as you would in any asphalt parking lot!

Thank you for your continued support of the Building Corporation!

Thank you,
Betty Jean Hebel, President

Checkers Tournament

Saturday March 10th 5:00PM



\$10 pp to play (pay when you sign up)
Limited to first 32 players to sign up
Lodge Activities will be providing Pulled Pork.
Please bring a dish to pass.

*Sign up behind the Bar or
call the Office to reserve your spot.*

*Please let the lodge know if you can
provide a checkerboard. Mark it with your
name, and it will be returned to you.*

Michigan Elks Raffle

Top prize \$2500

Drawing 5/19/18 at Spring Convention
at Sault Ste. Marie Elks Lodge #552

Tickets are \$5.00, but we
get to keep \$1.50 for each ticket sold. Check
at the office if you are interested.



Track Patrons

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 Tom & Marcia Bozek
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 James Collins
 PER Jack Dahlstrom
 Eldon & Carolyn Dillon
 David & Susan Duquette
 Laverne Eady
 Phyllis Evans
 Tony & Marianne Ferrante
 PER Bill & Marian Ford
 Doug & Shirley Gembis
 PER Kevin Goshorn
 Andrea Hall
 Bill Hampton
 Jane Hopper
 Don & Linda Kaump
 Tom Killiany, DVC
 Bob & May Koenig
 Ted & Betty Kulisz
 Jim Lademan


Greg Larscheidt
 PER Rick & Gerry Lefevre
 Jim & Judy Madigan
 PER Steve Magyari
 Margaret Major
 Laurine McDonnell
 Fred & Sherry Bevis-McGrath
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 Rick & Jenn Milton
 John & PER Phyllis Mirling
 Phyllis Misenar
 Henry & Lutie Moore
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 I'm not hungry and I know where I'm at. Is there more?

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\$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.



Farmington Lodge No. 1986

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
30898 Ten Mile Road
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48336

February, 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan 28	29	30	31	1	2	3
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Ham w/pineapple, sweet potatoes, green beans, coleslaw	7:30 Bd of Directors	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Chicken enchiladas, Spanish rice, CA veggies, tortilla soup	Club Open 4 PM
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Club Open 4 PM Super Bowl	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Roast beef, mashed potatoes, corn, tossed salad	7:00 PM PER Mrg 8:00 PM Lodge Mtg - Nominations	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Chicken cordon bleu, rice pilaf, baby carrots, corn chowder soup	Breakfast 9-Noon Star Salute Dinner
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Meatloaf, Baked Potatoes, CA veggies w/ cheese, waldorf salad	7:30 House Comm	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Orange roughy, scalloped potatoes, green beans in garlic butter, tossed salad	Poker Run 11AM-5PM Club Open 4 PM Pinochle @ 7 PM
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Club Open 4 PM Track Deadline 	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Heritage Dinner???	8:00 Lodge Mtg - Election of Officers	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Fish Fry - Regular menu	Breakfast 9-Noon ENF Spaghetti Dinner
25	26	27	28	Mar 1	2	3
Club Open 4 PM <i>Look for calendar updates on the web at: http://tinyurl.com/99urhlo</i>	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Chicken fettuccini Alfredo, Italian wedding soup, steamed broccoli, Boston Cream Pie	7:30 Bd of Directors	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Breaded pork chops, au gratin potatoes, applesauce, green bean casserole	9 Ball Tourney 1 PM