

Farmington **Elks** Track

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From the Exalted Ruler

Dear fellow Elks,

The New Year is upon us. Where has the time gone? At this time of the year, I like to sit back and take stock in what has passed and what will happen. I like to remember the good and improve where I can.

As a Lodge, I think we are doing a pretty good job. There have been a few changes, as expected, and there are a few places we can improve. We have been able to cut back on some expenses to be more fiscally responsible. A good thing! I would love to see a little more volunteerism. It can be as simple as a new activity. We can help run it or let you run it on your own. Maybe something we can improve on.

February can be a hard time of year. Its cold and sunless days take a toll on some people more than others. Extend your hand in token to help relieve distress. I personally talk to my kids that are now out of state a few times a week just to check in. I see many friends at the Lodge here. That leads me to think of the friends and acquantances we have met along the way. Maybe pick up the phone and call someone just to say hi. Maybe they don't have someone to talk to. Maybe you are just nice to people out there, an extra kind word or hold open a door for someone. Let the person walking to the car on a windy cold day, cross the walkway while you sit in a warm car. The smallest act of kindness can make an impact. We are better together! So, let's make February a great month with acts of kindness.

I am so proud to be an Elk! Even prouder to an Elk at this Lodge!

Christie, Exalted Ruler

Annual Elections

Nominations of Lodge Officers will take place at the Feb. 7, 2024 Lodge Meeting. If needed, elections will be held during the Feb. 21st meeting. Both nominations and elections are conducted under New Business by the Members in attendance.

If only one person is nominated for a position during the First Meeting, the position is considered filled and the nominee elected. If two or more people are nominated for a position, a vote will be taken during the Second Meeting of the month.

In addition:

- Nominations are made verbally on the Lodge Floor.
- Seconding of a nomination is not required.
- Proxies and/or absentee votes are not allowed.
- The person being nominated is not required to be present.
- Declining a nomination needs to be done before the Second Meeting.

I encourage all our members to consider taking a position in our Lodge. I'm available to answer questions about positions, requirements, or processes. Give me a call or feel free to talk to me at the Lodge.

Tom Killiany, PDDGER Lodge Secretary

Notice of application and voting on Life Membership Request.

We have received a written request for Life Membership from the following Member:

- 1) James Wlosinski of Farmington, Mi.
- a. Jim has been an Elk for 30 years.
- b. He is currently a member in good standing of our Lodge.

This nomination was read on the floor at the January 3, 2024 Lodge meeting and scheduled for consideration (voting) at the February 7, 2024 Lodge meeting by Exalted Ruler Christie Korczyk.

Tom Killiany, PDDGER

Lodge Secretary Note: We presently are below our capped level for Life Members.

Lodge By-laws: ARTICLE III: LIFE AND HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Section 1. The Lodge, by an affirmative secret ballot of twothirds of those present at a regular Lodge meeting, may elect a Member in good standing to Life Membership who has paid to a Lodge or Lodges required annual dues for a period of not less than 30 years preceding application.

Any nomination for Life Membership must be in writing. 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. A rejected nomination cannot be presented again within a period of one year from the date of rejection.

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Lodge Meetings

September - June — 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month July & August — 3rd Wednesday of the month Meetings start at 7:30pm

Lounge Hours

4:00 PM - 10:00 PM, (open earlier for events - see calendar) Closed all Sundays in July & August

Office

Phone: (248) 476-1986 Elks1986@yahoo.com

Lodge Secretary – Tom Killiany, PDDGER Elks1986@gmail.com Office Hours 6:00 - 8:00 PM Monday & Wednesday or by appointment

Internet Sites

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

2022-2023 Lodge Award Winners

Elk of the Year: Mark Moulds Officer of the Year: Donald McGee Distinguished Citizenship Award: Dr. Ed Hirsch

2023 - 2024 Officers

Exalted Ruler	Christie Korczyk	248-231-8516
Leading Knight	Dr. Ed Hirsch	248-477-4606
Loyal Knight	Ashley Issa	734-709-8032
Lecturing Knight	Theresa Miller	763-227-5102
Secretary	. Tom Killiany, PDDGER	248-974-5663
Treasurer	Donald McGee	734-560-7164
Esquire	Jim Madigan, PER	248-345-5890
Inner Guard	Open	
Tiler	Dr. Betty Jean Hebel	248-882-2885
Chaplain	David Kelly	734-846-0036
PER President	Steve Luce, PER	248-921-3261

Board of Directors

I Year Trustee	. Tracy McKibben	248-476-1986				
2 Year Trustee	Steve Luce, PER	248-921-3261				
3 Year Trustee	Rick Bowes	248-982-6647				
4 Year Trustee M	landi Wiggins, Chair.	703-863-6580				
5 Year Trustee	Open					
(Board of Directors also includes Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight,						
Loyal Knight, Lecturi	ng Knight, Secretary	and Treasurer)				

2023 – 2024 Building Corporation

Dr. Betty Jean Hebel - President, Donald McGee - Treasurer
Tom Bozek - Vice President, Jim Sockow - Secretary
At-Large-Members:
Chris Zamborowski, Steve Luce PER,
Dr. Ed Hirsch, Christie Korczyk

Elks Track

Newsletter Article Deadline – See Calendar, Back Page Editor – Phyllis Evans (313) 286-6343 tracks1986@gmail.com Get your newsletter electronically — Send your request to tracks1986@gmail.com

Track Patrons

Todd Block
Ed & Ann Campbell
Rod & Maggie Chubb
PER Cris Doby
Sue Duquette
Phyllis Evans
Tony & Marianne Ferrante
Andrea Hall
Dr. Edward & Shirley Hirsch
Buzz & Flo Holzknecht
Jane Hopper
Alan Huet
PDDGER Tom Killiany
Bob Koenig

PER Bob & Carrol Beauchamp

ER Christie Korczyk
PER Rick & Gerry Lefevre
Edward & Lorraine McDonnell
Bob Michela
Rick & Jenn Milton
Richard Neff
Taljit Sandhu
Howard Sikora
James & Pat Sockow
David Staudt
Sandra Thomas
Brent & Kathy Thorne
Mandi Wiggins
Earl Wolfe, PDVP

In Memory Of

John Beach, PER
Carolyn J Beauchamp
Wilma & William Bliss, PDDGER
Richard "Rick" Brenz
Jack & Betty Dahlstrom
David Duquette
Richard Evans, PER
Andrea Goshorn
Kevin Goshorn, PER
Gary Gundle
Pamela Killiany
May Koenig
Leo Lefevre
Laura Magyari

PER Steve Magyari
Bradley Marx
Robert W McArthur
Lorrey Michela
Steve Opperman
Ernie Orchard
Rich Parent
Don Perkins
Carl Seyler
John Shalhoub, PER
Robert Smith, PER
Don Warthman
Mary Jane Bauer Wolfe
Our Fallen Brothers & Sisters

Patron listings are only \$20 per year. Business card ads are \$120 a year, prorated after April. Contact the office or editor for more infomation.

Contact Lenses

Eye Examinations

Michael C. McGrath O.D., Dpl.ABO, C.O.V.D, O.W.N.S. Board-Certified Diplomat American Board of Optometry

Farmington Vision Clinic (248)478-2280

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday Appointments only 31553 W. 10 Mile Rd. (at Orchard Lake) Farmington, MI 48336 Fax: (248)478-9825



Calendar of Events

Every Friday, 7:30 PM - King of Diamonds **February** Breakfast 9 AM - Noon 7 Officer Nominations for 2024-2025 11 Super Bowl 17 Breakfast 9 AM - Noon 21 Election of Officers for 2024-2025 24 **ENF Reverse Raffle** March Breakfast 9 AM - Noon 9-Ball Tournament Calendar Planning Meeting 11 Breakfast 9 AM - Noon 16 17 St Patricks Day Installation of Officers 30 April

8-Ball Playoffs

Super Bowl LVIII Party & Pot Luck Dinner

February 11, 2024 @ 4:00pm

We are hosting another Super Bowl party this year. (Please sign up at the bar.) Once again, we are having a raffle on baskets that we promise will not disappoint. Thanks to all of the Elks who are donating baskets full of treats and beautiful gifts. Tickets are \$1 each, same as last year. There will also be a 50/50 raffle.

February Birthdays

Les Baron 18 John Sangregario 2 Andy Weber Cynthia Shelley 5 Max Madigan 22 Mark Moulds 7 Trevor McKibben Carl Welti 25 16 Thomas Mohan

From the Kitchen - any time!

Don't forget we have bar snack pizza, pigs in a blanket, cheese sticks for \$3.50.

Mini Charcuterie Board - \$6.00



Name

Birth Date

Kevin Goshorn Memorial Reverse Raffle for ENF

Saturday, February 24, 2024

Dinner begins at 5:30 - cheese tortellini with marinara sauce, salad, and garlic bread for \$10 per person. We need dessert donations. Sign up at the bar by February 20.

Raffle begins at 6:30 featuring Master of Ceremonies Terri Harriman! Get your raffle tickets before they are gone... and remember that there's a prize for the top ticket seller

Tickets can be purchased from any bartender. The cost of each ticket is \$20.00 and is limited to only 200 tickets sold. Thank you for your support, and remember, you need not be present to win.

21st Annual 9-Ball Tournament & Crock-Pot-luck



Saturday, March 9th, 2024 (game starts @ 1 pm)

Tick-tock goes the clock...the date is coming up FAST!!

Once again, I'm pleased to invite EVERYONE, members & non-members alike, to join us for an afternoon of some friendly competition, good food & great fellowship. If you're not sure you can make it, PHONE A FRIEND & get them in here! As usual, we will have a crock-pot-luck. Along with each of the competitors I will give a drink chip to anyone who brings a crockpot or dish to share (while chip-supplies last). So, if you're playing AND you bring a dish, you'll get 2 chips! We will still be providing some cold-cuts or party subs, but I would encourage anyone to feel free to bring any desserts or side dishes.

As always, there was much fun to be had last year, despite the fact we only had 9 players. Just a little tweak to the playoff format helped take care of that! However, this time I'm hoping that because of the early start, along with utilizing our relatively new "social media channels," I might be able to pack the list! Will you help me get the word out?

Please look for the signup sheet which is now posted by the pool table or online at http://tinyurl.com/ElksNineBall . Fees may be left with myself or behind the bar. Thank you!

Fraternally Yours,

Rick Bowes & Your 9-Ball 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.						
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

$February,\ 2024$ Look for calendar updates on the web at: http://tinyurl.com/99urhlo							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Jan 28	29	30	31	Feb 1	2	3	
Open 4 PM Pool League 4:30 PM	Open 4 PM Pool League 6 PM	Open 4 PM	Open 4 PM Pool League 6 PM	Open 4 PM Sliders \$2.50	Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM King of Diamonds 7:30 PM	Breakfast 9 -Noon	
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Extra goodies available only in the digital (PDF) version

Here you will find info on coming events and photos of Lodge Happenings. Some will also be on our Facebook page, but many will not. Have photos you'd like to share? Send them to your editor at farmingtonelks@gmail.com.

Officer Roles and Responsibilities

Exalted Ruler – The "President." He / She is the Executive Officer of the Lodge, enforces and performs duties required by the Laws of the Order and the By-Laws of the Lodge. The ER appoints all committees and has general supervision over all matters pertaining to the Lodge.

Leading Knight – "1st Vice-President." Assists the Exalted Ruler in the performance of his/her duties. Will officiate in the absence of the Exalted Ruler.

Loyal Knight – "2nd Vice President." Second in command in the absence of the Exalted Ruler.

Lecturing Knight – "3rd VP." Third in command in the absence of the Exalted Ruler.

The Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, and Lecturing Knight are referred to as the "Chair Officers" of the Lodge. Ideally, an individual rotates thru the Knight (chair) positions in their respective order to eventually become Exalted Ruler. The Knights perform duties appointed to them by the ER along with those specified in the Laws of the Order and the Lodge By-Laws.

Secretary – Records minutes of Lodge meetings, maintains Lodge Member records, receives all monies and forwards to the Treasurer, reads/answers all correspondence, prepares/administers membership cards.

Treasurer – Receives all monies from the Secretary and gives a receipt, pays approved bills of the Lodge, maintains record of receipts and disbursements (Financial Records), and signs all checks.

Trustees – The Farmington Lodge has 5 Trustees. The Lodge elects one Trustee each year to a five-year term and the rest rotate down in position at the end of the Lodge year until their term is complete. (5-Year Trustee becomes 4-Year Trustee, 4-Year becomes 3-Year, exc.)

Tiler – Stationed at the outer door of the Lodge at all meetings, he/she permits no person to enter without previous announcement and permission from the Exalted Ruler.

Esquire – Is stationed to the right of the Exalted Ruler during Lodge meetings. He/she organizes the Lodge, prepares candidates for initiation, and introduces visiting members.

Chaplain – Stationed to the left of the Exalted Ruler during Lodge meetings, he/she recites the opening and closing prayers, and performs the duties required by the Laws of the Order and By Laws of the Lodge.

Inner Guard – Positioned at the inner door during Lodge meetings, the Inner Guard allows only those qualified to enter.

The Chaplain, Esquire, Inner Guard and Tiler are appointed by the Exalted Ruler. All other positions are elected. All officers perform any duties appointed to them or as required by the Laws of the Order and Lodge By-Laws.

House Committee – The House Committee is made up of the Chair Officers (ER, Leading, Loyal and Lecturing Knights.) and the 5 Trustees. They meet regularly at least once a Month. The House Committee controls the Club (bar and social quarters) of the Lodge. All decisions and actions of the House Committee, except those concerning pricing and employment, are subject to the control and direction of the Lodge. The Exalted Ruler is the chairman of the House Committee.

Board of Directors - The Board of Directors is also made up of the Chair Officers and Trustees. The Board holds separate, regular monthly meetings. The Board of Directors controls the funds and property of the Lodge; keeps a record of all investments; purchases all Lodge supplies; prepares, presents, and tracks the Lodge budget; and is responsible for the Accident Prevention Program. All decisions and actions of the Board are subject to the control and direction of the Lodge. The Chairman is elected by (and from) the Board Members at their 1st meeting in April.

Poker Run, January 20, 2024











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Beginning Jan. 22, 2024 and ending on Valentine's Day Feb. 14, 2024

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