



# Farmington Elks Track

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## ***From the Desk of the ER: Members All,***

Happy New Year and may the holidays have served you well emotionally and spiritually.

Before we head into 2018 let us look at how we here at the Farmington lodge finish a year.

We first pay respect to those we have lost in the last year. A respectful service that's held at every Elks Lodge on the 1st Sunday in December and ours, chaired by Kevin Goshorn PER, exemplifies how Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken. Thank you, Kevin.

May I suggest that each and every one of you consider yourself to undertake this once a year event as chairperson, an honorable endeavor of any Elks.

Back in September when the hurricanes left their devastating path of destruction, this Lodge raised funds to relieve the unfortunate. With the investigative work of your Loyal Knight Steve Magyari, an unfortunately worthy Lodge was found, Beaumont Lodge # 311 in China, Texas. A brief recap of what transpired down at the Beaumont Lodge.

- We sheltered and fed up to 75 evacuees and first responders the first 10 days all at Lodge cost

- Designated as FEMA distribution center where food and goods were distributed for two weeks

- 12 members lost everything they owned

- 20 members sustained major damage

- Lodge AC unit was damaged at the cost of \$9,900

- Parking lot was damaged by the distribution trucks

These are good people who did nothing to deserve such devastation, concentrated their efforts to helping others, thus living as true and upright members, caring and sharing.

Thank you Farmington Lodge for laying the path of healing for others.

Gaining speed towards Christmas, the annual Children's Christmas Party provided a full house of exuberant, friendly, happy children the joy they all deserve. The joy seen in the eyes of the grandparents, parents, family and friends was as magical as Christmas itself. Thank you, Jenn Milton, Pat & Jim Sockow, Jen Chinn and those who jumped in to help the day of the party for hitting another grand slam.

Not having the opportunity, due to press, of re-capping the entire month, I do have anticipation of rounding out December with fun, laughter and Brotherly Love within the walls of your Lodge.

And a fresh new year is before us, bringing with it opportunity to pursue goals, dreams and virtues. It is ours to grasp, to hold and embrace. It is ours to have learned from the past and better oneself, our Lodge and our country. It starts with happy New Year kisses and handshakes and leads into endless possibilities.

Now get out there and ELK IT UP!

Fraternally,  
Jimmi

## ***January Heritage Dinner***

***Guest Chef Katie O'Leary***

***Tuesday, January 16, 2018***

***\$12 per person***

***Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy,  
Green Beans and Bread Pudding***

***Sign up for reservations at the bar.***



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## THE FARMINGTON ELKS TRACK

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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>  
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## 2017 – 2018 Officers

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Leading Knight ..... Steve Luce ..... 248-921-3261  
Loyal Knight ..... Steve Magyari, PER ..... 313-405-0153  
Lecturing Knight ... Rick Lefevre, PER ..... 248-685-2025  
Secretary ..... Tom Killiany, DVC ..... 248-974-5663  
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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

Jan	6	Glo Pool Party/ Tournament
	13	Breakfast 9-Noon
	14	Metro Dist Meeting
	16	Heritage Dinner
	20	Pinochle
	27	Breakfast 9-Noon White Elephant Gift Exchange
Feb	4	Super Bowl
	7	Officer Nominations
	10	Simply Sinatra Dinner Show
	14	Valentine's Day
	21	Election of Officers
	17	Pinochle
	20	Heritage Dinner
	24	ENF Reverse Raffle
Mar	3	9 Ball Tournament
	10	Checkers Tourney
	17	St. Pat's Day Party
	24	Pinochle

## January B'days

1	Edward Waldecker
2	Bill Hampton
	Kenneth Edwards
4	Ken Glinski
6	Carl Swanderski
8	Sherry Bevis
10	Tom Killiany, PER
11	Arthur Biggers
	Larry Ashmore, PSP
13	Bob Beauchamp, PER
14	Glenn Morrison
15	Henry Moore, Jr.
20	Margaret Major
22	Rick Milton
	Harold Galloway
24	Marty Chinn
	Ronald Gutzke
	Jerry Holcomb
28	Scott Saxton
29	Terry Purves
30	Joshua Leach
	Duane Perry
	George Schlotta

## Lodge Activities Update

We have been working hard to plan and fulfill fun activities for all members to enjoy. If you haven't been to the lodge lately, we miss you. Check the calendar and pick an event to come to.

December Soups, Stew and Chili cook-off had 6 entries and about 20 members in attendance. Judy won first place in Soups, Greta won first place in Chili and Doug took first place in Stews. The Kids Christmas party was so much fun and the kids loved their presents. There was a Lions Tailgate every weekend, a yummy Heritage dinner and Pinochle.

Hope to see many faces in January. We have our glow pool tournament, Pinochle, White Elephant gift exchange and Heritage Dinner. Check out these events and come support your Lodge.

### White Elephant Gift Exchange



Saturday January 27th

6:00 PM Potluck

7:00 PM Gift exchange starts

Spend the evening at the Elks. Bring a dish to pass for a potluck dinner, and get ready for some laughter with the White Elephant gift exchange.

Bring a new/unused wrapped present that you received as a gift and don't want. Maybe you have something laying around the house that you have never gotten around to using. Or you can buy something funny to re-gift. The possibilities are endless! Best of all you will go home with a new present and a full stomach and your cheeks will hurt from laughing! There will be a sign up sheet to help get an idea of how to arrange the room, but you can still come if you forget to sign up.

Any questions? Call Jenn Milton 248-477-3894

## Pass Pinochle News

Happy New Year 2018! I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas or holiday season. We were happy to see such a good turnout for our December pinochle in spite of all the snow. We had 5 plus tables of players and lots of goodies.



December Winners:

1st Margaret Hamilton	689
2nd Andrea Hall	654
3rd Marge Perkins	634
Good Sport- Lutie Moore	340

Next Dates to Play (Bring a friend or partner, come join us and support our Lodge): Jan. 20th, Feb. 17th, March 24th (changed due to the Lodge having St. Patrick's Day party on the 17th), April 21st, May 19th, June 16th. Please mark your calendars.

Thank you for all the prayers for Jim Sockow who continues his radiation treatment. Also please keep Don Warthman in your prayers too.

See you all at the Lodge,  
Jim, Pat, Bob and May

## Lodge ENF Reverse Raffle

Don't forget to get your tickets for our 5th annual Reverse Raffle for the Elks National Foundation. The drawing will be Saturday, February 24, 2018 starting at 6:00pm. The cost of each ticket is \$20 and is limited to only 200 tickets. 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

Winners need not be present to win.



## Farmington Elks Lodge

### New Officers Guide

- There are 15 required officers in our lodge – 11 elected and four appointed. Officers elected for one-year terms are the Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, Lecturing Knight, Secretary and Treasurer. The five Trustees serve five-year terms with one term expiring each year to allow for some continuity on the board. Officers appointed each year by the Exalted Ruler are the Chaplain, Esquire, Inner Guard and Tiler.
- The Tiler is responsible for setting up the hall and putting the furniture away after each meeting and special events such as Installation and Flag Day. There are only two paid positions: Secretary and Treasurer. Their salaries are set by the lodge by-laws which are revised every five years.
- We have 22 meetings per year on the first and third Wednesdays of the month: two per month from September through June, and one per month in July and August (third Wednesday). When a meeting night falls on a holiday, we are excused by what is known as “dispensation” from the District Deputy.
- In addition, lodge officers are required to attend their Installation (usually in late March), the Flag Day Observance (usually the closest Sunday to June 14) and the Elks Memorial Day (first Sunday in December).
- There are rehearsals on occasion for all officers with speaking parts in the initiation ritual – the four chair officers, Esquire, Chaplain and Inner Guard. These are informal sessions, usually lasting about one hour.
- Lodge officers should also attend the funerals of our departed members. While the PER Association traditionally handles the Lodge of Sorrows assistance is always welcome.
- The Exalted Ruler, three Knights and five Trustees are the voting members of both the House Committee (responsible for the club operations) and the Board of Directors (responsible for the finances of the Lodge). Meetings are held on the “off” Wednesdays of the month (second and last) and attendance of the involved officers is mandatory.
- You are responsible for purchasing your own blue blazer and khaki slacks (skirt) for regular lodge meetings. Officers involved in the ritual will also need to purchase the appropriate attire (Tuxes). These do not have to be “top of the line” clothes. The lodge pays for the neckties.
- Remember, your service to our lodge is greatly appreciated, and clearly shows that you have earned the respect and confidence of your lodge members.

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*Elks* Care - *Elks* Share

## Chat with the Chaplain

The Chaplain is snowbirding it in Florida. Stay well.



### *"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*

## Building Corporation News

### Update:

The light in the back parking lot has been replaced. A source for this service has been identified so future lighting issues should not take so long to address.

The ceiling leak near the furnace room is being addressed and has been upgraded to 'urgent' status. The delay, in some measure, is due to the high demand for construction and repair in the regions recently hit by the severe weather.

The time of the Building Corporation meetings has been changed to 6:00 PM to better accommodate the members. All members of the lodge are welcome to attend !

The Building Corporation meeting scheduled for December 20, 2017 was postponed to January 17, 2018. If there are any urgent matters needing attention during December and early January they will be dealt with via email communication or a special meeting will be held.

Thank you,  
Betty Jean Hebel, President



## *Glow Pool Tournament \$20 per couple*

Partners can be any combination  
(male/male, female/female, male/female)

**Saturday January 6th  
5:00 PM**

Pizza and Other Snacks Provided

"Glo pool" is an 8 ball billiards game played in the dark with special fluorescent lighting and glowing billiard balls

All regular 8 Ball rules apply  
This is a fun event, friendly competition, all skill levels  
Sign Up behind the bar or by calling the office

## Thank You Corner

Thank you for our delicious December Heritage Turkey Dinner. Once again we filled the dining room and left full and happy. Our guest chef Carol Clark and her assistant ER Jim Madigan did a wonderful job.

January's Heritage dinner is being cooked by guest chef Katie O'Leary. If you want the best tasting bread pudding for dessert, this is the dinner to sign up for.

We are still in need of a February guest chef. The Heritage dinner is set for February 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***







## 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.



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 Earl Wolfe, PDVP

## In Memory Of

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## Farmington Lodge No. 1986

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

### January, 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec 31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Club Open 1 PM	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Turkey rolls w/ stuffing, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green bean casserole, coleslaw	7:00 PM PER Mrg 8:00 PM Lodge Mtg	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Chicken Piccata, oven-browned potatoes, corn, tossed salad	Club Open 4 PM Glow Pool 5 PM
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Spinach & cheese manicotti, caesar salad, green beans, cheesecake	7:30 House Comm	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Breaded pork chops, au gratin potatoes, CA veggies, homemade applesauce	Breakfast 9-Noon
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Heritage Dinner	8:00 Lodge Mtg	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Kielbasa & kraut, potato & cheese pierogi, broccoli salad, lemon merengue pie	Club Open 4 PM Pinochle @ 7 PM
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Club Open 4 PM Track Deadline 	Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Baked chicken, cheesy potato casserole, steamed broccoli, salad		Club Open 4 PM	5:30 Beef tips in gravy, buttered noodles, peas & carrots, Greek salad	Breakfast 9-Noon White Elephant 6 PM
28	29	30	31	Feb 1	2	3
Club Open 4 PM <i>Look for calendar updates on the web at: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/99urhlo">http://tinyurl.com/99urhlo</a></i>	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