

Farmington **Elks** Track

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From the ER:

The Elks, including Lodge #1986, are very well known for their patriotism. We just observed our annual Flag Day ritual, hanging our brand new American Flag and our new POW/MIA flag.

Our flag is an important part of our initiation ritual and part of every lodge meeting. As we move to our 4th of July, as a country we look at signs worth celebrating, one of which is the Elks National Memorial in Chicago.

Elks National Memorial is a tribute to the bravery, loyalty and dedication of the thousands of Elks who have fought and died for our country. It has been described as one of the most magnificent war memorials in the world, but with its monumental architecture and priceless art, the Memorial is more a symbol of peace and of the patriotism of the members of the Elks fraternity.

Following World War I, there was a strong desire throughout the Elks organization to erect a fitting memorial to those brothers who had laid down their lives in the name of loyal patriotism and devotion to country which they had assumed at their fraternal altars. At the Grand Lodge session convened in Chicago in 1920, a special committee was created and assigned with the task of planning the design and construction of this new memorial.

The Commission invited seven of the country's most distinguished architects to participate in a competition that would determine the design of the new building. After careful consideration the Commission unanimously decided on a design created by New York architect Egerton Swarthout. Swarthout's design was selected over the competition because it was the most beautifully distinctive, while still fulfilling its practical purpose as both a memorial to fallen Elks and a national headquarters for the organization.

After an exhaustive search for the most qualified builder, the Commission entrusted New York's Hegeman-Harris Company with the task of building a monument that would inspire Elks and captivate the public.

On my recent trip to Hawaii, I visited another memorial, the Arizona at Pearl Harbor. The Arizona has been closed for about a year, from a storm. However, just being nearby, you can't help but think about the men and women who were taken that fateful day in December. It is a memorial that wasn't built, but stands in our minds.

So on the 4th, salute our flag and remember as Elks, the wonderful memorial we have created.

Fraternally, Steve



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Lodge Meetings

3rd Wednesday of the month Meetings start at 8:00pm

Lounge Hours

4:00 - 10:00, Monday - Friday 4:00 - 10:00 Saturday (open earlier for events) Sundays (Watch the Lodge for new summer hours)

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Youth Activities Open	

2019 - 2020 Building Corporation

Betty Jean Hebel - President, Jim Sockow - V. President Rick Brenz - Treasurer, Andrew Lauderback - Secretary, Tom Bozek, Bob Koenig and (Open)

2018-19 Lodge Award Winners

Elk of the Year: Jennifer Chinn, PER Officer of the Year: Bob Michela Citizen of the Year: Jennifer Milton GER Award: Gary Gundle GER Award: Jennifer Chinn, PER July, 2019 Page 3

Flower Fund Update

It's been a while since we've written about the Lodge Flower Fund. Yes, it's still around. That said, it's also been underfunded.

Yep, we are still sending flowers to deserving members, but since we haven't bugged people for donations, the cost has been coming out of the general fund. A new container has been set up in the lobby and we welcome any and all donations, big or small. Extra loose change in your pocket? We'll take it. Won a 50/50 and feeling generous? We will gladly accept a portion of it.

Please donate. Someday you may be the one on the receiving end.

Pass Pinochle News:

Yea! Summer is finally here in between the rain! I hope everyone Is having a good summer as we don't play again until Sept. 21st. We had a great turnout with 7 full tables.



Our June winners—

1st - Dolores Hommel	706
2nd - Jeanne Sullivan	698
3rd - Ron Bozak	696
Good Sport - Debbie Franczak	251

We will be turning in \$111.00 to the Lodge which is 10% from each month.

Don't forget Fish Fry night every 2nd Friday of the month. It's great food, so come and enjoy and support our Lodge. Bring a friend or family.

Next date to play — mark your calendars - Sept.21st. Please continue to keep Marge Mueller, Jackie Noffsinger and Jack Dutton in your get well prayers.

See you all soon,

Jim, Pat, Bob and May

Need a gift idea?

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

2019-2020 Events

	2019-	202	zu Everits		
	June 30-	July	5 Elks National Convention – St. Louis		
July 17		17			
	17	'-20	Farmington Festival		
	August	10	Farmers Mkt Corn Roast		
		17	Southern Boil		
		24	Old Timers Picnic		
	Sept	8	Golf Banquet		
		14	Farmers Market - Italian Sausage		
		21	Pinochle		
		24	Oktoberfest		
	Oct	5	MSU-OSU Game		
		12	Halloween Party		
		19	Pinochle		
	Nov	3	DST Ends		
		9	Pinochle		
		11	Veterans Day		
		12	,		
		16	UM-MSU Game		
		30	UM-OSU Game		
	Dec	1	Memorial Service 1 PM		
		7	Wine Tasting		
		14	Pinochle		
		15	Kids Xmas Party 1 PM		
	2020				
	Jan	4	- 3 / /		
		18			
		25	White Elephant Party		
	Feb	2	Super Bowl		

Feb 2 Super Bowl

8 Glow Ball Tournament

15 Pinochle

16 Daytona 500

March 14 Bowl-a-thon

21 Pinochle

Thank You Corner

Sincere thanks to the people who help put out this newsletter each and every month. The proofreaders who keep an eye out for pesky typos, errors and omissions and have done it since this editor took back the job, Jen Chinn and Jenn Milton.

Jen Chinn is also the person who picks up the hard copies from the printer and then labels, stamps and mails them each month, sometimes with help and sometimes all alone. The June issue went out with the able help of PER Phyllis Mirling. We have good people. Thank you!

Finally, a very big thank you to Sandy McArthur for the work she does to keep up the flower beds in the patio area.

Phyllis Evans, Editor

Scholars Assist Green Nonprofits on Service Trip

By TAYLOR ODISHO

ENF Communications Assistant

Each Elks Scholar Service Trip is a chance for scholars and alumni to travel to cities across the nation and learn, serve, and connect in the name of the Elks.

In March, the Spring Service Trip took the scholars and alumni to one of the "greenest" cities in the world—Portland, OR—so it's not a surprise that their green thumbs were tested.

The group worked with environmental organizations like Growing Gardens, a nonprofit that uses the experience of growing food in schools, backyards, and correctional facilities to cultivate healthy, equitable communities. The scholars landscaped a garden that will be used to teach hundreds of middle school students about the biology of plants and the importance of growing sustainable food.

"With these projects especially," said John Kavula, the Elks Scholar Fellow tasked with coordinating each service trip, "it was easy to take a step back at the end of the day and see how just a few hours of work made a huge difference in helping organizations continue their mission of caring for the world they live in."

The group collaborated with nonprofits that help the city combat growing issues such as poverty, hunger, and homelessness. With Community of Hope, the group cleaned and painted a building that houses single-parent families experiencing homelessness. They left it feeling like a true home.

The week ended with a night at the Milwaukie-Portland, OR Lodge No. 142. They shared a meal, danced the night away, and toured the massive Lodge while making friends with dozens of Elks.

The Spring Service Trip was another week spent improving Elks communities, strengthening the Elks family, and showing Elks scholars and alumni the importance of altruism.

Read more about the Spring Elks Scholar Service Trip at http://enf.elks.org/2019SpringServiceTrip .

(Reprinted from the Grand Lodge July 2019 online newsletter.)

July Birthdays

- 1 Sandra E McArthur
- 3 Mary Jenkins
- 4 Jane F Hopper Richard W Starkey
- 8 David G Bell David Staudt
- 9 Robert W Schulkins
- 10 Jennifer Chinn
- 11 James L Sockow
- 12 David J Kulisz Mark R Ziegler
- 15 Thomas Bozek
 Stacy A Haymaker
 Richard J Neff
- 16 David Letwinski Allen Paul Young
- 17 Chris Rodgers
- 18 Karen Batzka
- 19 Earl W Wolfe
- 20 John T Munro
- 25 Stephanie Keimer
- 30 Dan Waldon

Munchies

Order at the Bar

Pretzel \$1.00

Pretzel w/cheese \$1.50

Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza \$2.50

Cheese Slider \$2.00

Slider \$1.50

Angus Beef Cheeseburger \$4.50



July 12th Fish Fry

As I write this article for the July 12th Fish Fry, we have just completed the June 14th Fish Fry. It had a little better attendance with 41 meals being served but still not up to the 50 and 52 that we started out with. I know we get busy doing things around the home during June, July and August, but why not cap off the 2nd Friday of each month by coming down and enjoying time with the members who attend our Fish Frys and the great meals that are prepared.

I cannot let this article go to press without mentioning the fantastic volunteers who work these fish frys, the cook, the waitresses, the bartenders and the dish washer. Without the dedication of these volunteers the Fish Frys would not be a success, so remember to thank them for their help when you come to the Fish Frys. Hope to see you on July 12, 2019 and the 2nd Friday of each month thereafter.

FISH FRY MENU

Cod Dinner Fried 2 pcs \$8.95 3 pcs \$9.95

Broiled 2 pcs \$9.95 3 pcs \$10.95

Shrimp Dinner (Fried or Sautéed) 7 pcs \$10.95

Dinners come with coleslaw, roll and your choice of baked potato, fries or tots.

Chicken Wing Dings with choice of baked potato,

fries or tots 8 pcs \$8.95

Hamburger w/lettuce & tomato \$4.95

With chips \$5.45 With fries or tots \$6.45 Cheese - add \$0.25

(Tax and gratuity not included.)

Elks Membership, Recruitment and Retention Get-together.

Anyone who would like to join me to help with this committee is asked to attend — Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 7pm.

If you are unable to attend but want to lend a hand, please email me, call or text. Thanks.

Jen Chinn PER

Help Wanted

Due to family obligations, we find ourselves in need of a new Lodge Activities chairperson. If you are interested, talk to ER Steve Luce.

As an alternative to a new chairperson (we know it's a lot of work), we'd love to have a bunch of members (and/or spouses) take on a single event. Take a look at the list of 2019-2020 Events. Something look interesting? Give it a shot. There will always be people to help out, but we need people to head up each event.

Need more information? Stop by the office and talk to Jen Chinn — Keeper of the Reports.

Have an idea for something not on the list? Propose it to the House Committee. Unless the Lodge is committed to something else on that date, they'll probably approve it.

This is your Lodge and we need your help and ideas. (And by the way, we still need a Lecturing Knight and a 3-Year Trustee.) Make your voice heard.

Farmington Founders Festival

July 18 - July 21, 2019

The Farmington Elks will once again be participating in the annual Farmington Founders Festival, but with a change. We will be working the beer tent from noon until 5 PM on Sunday, July 21st.

For the first time, the Festival will be held entirely at Shiawassee Park. There will be no vendors in the downtown area. There will be parking available at Farmington High School and other areas, with a courtesy shuttle for handicapped and elderly visitors between Farmington High and the festival grounds.

More information can be found online on Facebook and at: https://www.foundersfestival.com

Need a gift idea?

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

Lifting Michigan Up

The Michigan Elks Association's State Major Project was established in May of 1957 in order to provide financial support to children with disabilities for expenses related to equipment, therapy, camps, technology, and any other health related necessity.

Since then, the State Major project benefits between 400-500 children across the state each year! Applications are reviewed based on financial need, and the only requirements are that the recipient has a disability, is under 18, and is a resident of the state of Michigan.

Local Elks Lodges are involved in the project year-round as every Lodge in Michigan has a Major Project Lodge Chairman. The role of the Major Project Lodge Chairman is to help guide the applicant and their family through the process from start to finish. Recipients are either directly contacted by the Lodge or recommended to the Lodge. From there, the Chairman works with the family to evaluate the proposed request, prepare a Request for Assistance, gather documentation, and submit the application to the Major Project Commission. On top of working directly with recipients, the Lodge Chairman is responsible for charitable reports, hosting awareness events and fundraisers, crafting newsletter articles, and sharing information from the Major Project office with the Lodge.



When asked about specific cases, Executive Director, Diane Dusendang, said the one at the top of her head was, "We were able to provide a bath lift for a young lady with multiple diagnoses, and past physical abuse. As she has grown, many tasks become more difficult to be able to do safely. The lift will make daily bathing safe for both her and her caregivers!"

She went on to say, "We recently closed the fiscal year but right before it closed, we were able to provide equine therapy sessions for two separate recipients as well as a full campership for another recipient!"

The annual budget for the Michigan Major Project Commission includes, \$60,000 for individual Case Requests, \$200,220 for partial Camp Scholarships to more than 19 different camps for children with disabilities, and \$15,000 in Emergency Fund Grants, which are available to a child in an emergency situation.



(Reprinted from the Elks June 2019 online newsletter.)

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Name	
Birth Date	Membership #
	Note: Limit one (1) coupon per member per year.

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Contact the Lodge Secretary, Office Manager Jen Chinn or Editor Phyllis Evans for more information. Business Card listings are only \$120 per year, April through March, and we will prorate ads that start after April.

Contact the Office or Editor for more information.



Farmington Lodge No. 1986

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July, 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 30	1	2	3	4	5	6
Watch the Lodge for new summer hours	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Lodge Closed Have a Safe	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Club Open 4 PM
Elks Nat	ional Convention, St. Lou	is, MO - June 30-July 5		and Happy 4th		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Watch the Lodge for new summer hours	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Fish Fry 5:30-7:30 PM	Club Open 4 PM
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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				Farmington Founders Festival July 18-21		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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