

# Farmington **Elks** Track

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# From the Exalted Ruler

### Happy July!

Summer is here - it's time for BBQ's, bonfires, laughter outside and great Michigan summer weather. When I think back to being a child, how great I had it. From the time my chores were done and my mom said I could go, I was always running with my friends. As we grow, there is a point, somewhere, that we lose our sense of carefree fun. I want our Lodge to feel like a second home. Not your home or my home. A home we share as equals; a home we care for and enjoy good times. This summer I am challenging you to bring back a little bit of carefree fun to your life. It's as easy as sitting outside and watching lightning bugs. Go out into the world, take a day trip, stop by a different lodge. Visit them and invite them to our Lodge, just like when we were kids and made new friends.

Remember throwing a water balloon at someone, how fun it was? We don't have water balloons at the Lodge, but we do have corn hole and Jenga. Challenge a friend or two to play a game. Put a twist on it, say you must hold a beverage with one hand and play with the other. Anyone up to play? I am! It's crazy how fast the laughter refreshes your soul. Laughter is contagious. We need more laughter in our lives. It makes us less irritable; we sleep better when we laugh, and it increases endorphins.

So, join me out on the patio one night. Let's play a game and laugh like we did as children. Let's not sweat the small stuff and enjoy this summer before it ends.

Happy Birthday to our Nation!!!

Christie Korczyk Exalted Ruler

# **ENF** News

Again this year, our Lodge has been awarded an ENF Freedom Grant of \$1000 to be donated to Fisher House, a beautiful and free home-away-from-home for veterans and their families undergoing care at the VA hospital in Ann Arbor. We will arrange a date and time (it will be during the day to accommodate Fisher House staff) to make a formal presentation of the donation. If you would like to participate in the presentation, please reach out to Cris Doby, cadoby@gmail.com

## Flag Day

Sometimes they say "I love it when a plan comes together". Such was the case during the recent Elks Flag Day celebration.

Our June 14th program was absolutely splendid, but it didn't just happen. It occurred because of all the work that our volunteers put in. The key word in this is volunteers.

Look at how many people were instrumental in putting it together:

Our new Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mandi Wiggins, was so eloquent in reading the Reponse. She was the talk of the lodge afterwards.

Our newest trustee, Rick Bowes did the History of the Flag with great timing and also raising of our new flags with help from his son, Griffin. A big thanks to the Pool League for the new American and POW-MIA flags.

Tracy McKibben presented each flag of the history with perfect timing as well. She was assisted by Leading Knight stand in, Tom Killiany

Jim Madigan placed each of our ten flags on our front lawn and performed the Esquire part flawlessly.

BJ Hebel showed up and was a great greeter, showing off her terrific execution and sense of humor.

Ashley Issa, and Theresa Miller were great in their role of Loyal Knight and Lecturing Knight.

And I won't forget the great job that our Exalted Ruler, Christie Korczyk did in leading the entire program.

Volunteers, every one of them.

During the raising of the new flag, I was touched by the moment, and by all of the people involved in making this event so well done. Two of our special guests, Ken Massey from the City Council of Farmington Hills, and Joe LaRussa from the City Council from Farmington, came away very impressed.

To all of our Lodge Members, take note of the volunteers, and next time you see them at the Lodge, go up to them and say "nice Job".

Steve Luce

Volunteer

Elks Care - Elks Share

#### THE FARMINGTON ELKS TRACK

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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 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

### **Track Patrons**

PER Bob & Carrol Beauchamp 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

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

#### 2023 – 2024 Officers

Exalted Ruler	Christie Korczyk	
Leading Knight	Dr. Ed Hirsch	
Loyal Knight	Ashley Issa	
Lecturing Knight	Theresa Miller	
Secretary	. Tom Killiany, PDDGER	248-974-5663
Treasurer	Donald McGee	734-560-7164
Esquire	Jim Madigan, PER	
Inner Guard	Open	
Tiler	Dr. Betty Jean Hebel	
Chaplain	David Kelly	734-846-0036
PER President	Steve Luce, PER	

#### **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 Mandi Wiggins, Chair	703-863-6580
5 Year Trustee Open	
(Board of Directors also includes Exalted Ruler,	Leading Knight,
Loyal Knight, Lecturing Knight, Secretary and T	reasurer)

#### 2023 – 2024 Building Corporation

Dr. Betty Jean Hebel - President, 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

### 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



# Monday Specials — July!

Pizza & Beer \$5 (along with free use of the pool table)





# Monday Specials — August!

Burger & Beer \$5 (along with free use of the pool table)

# Summer Barbecue

Special Guest Chef Mark Moulds

Saturday, July 15, 5:30 PM

1/2 Slab BBQ Ribs - \$17

BBQ Chicken Breast - \$12

Includes:

Roast potatoes, baked beans, coleslaw

Make your reservations at the bar by Monday, July 10th.

# Coming — Friday, August 4, 2023

Queen of Hearts Progressive Raffle Watch the Lodge for details



# July Birthdays

- 1 Sandra E McArthur
- 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 Mark R Ziegler
- 13 Marcie Woodard
- 15 Thomas Bozek Stacy A Haymaker Richard J Neff
- 16 David Letwinski
- 17 Chris Rodgers



- 19 Earl W Wolfe
- 20 John T Munro Richard Doelker
- 23 Diane Peters
- 24 Jon Heider
- 30 Dan Waldon Brandon Karmo
- 31 Thomas Grossi

# Calendar of Events

### July

- 1 Farmers Market Hot Dog Sales 9 AM 2 PM
- 2-4 Independence Day Closed
- 10 BBQ Reservation Deadline
- 11 Lodge Anniversary Charter signed in 1956
- 15 Summer Barbecue

### August

- 1 Calendar Mtg 7 PM
- 4 Queen of Hearts Progressive Raffle
- 12 Farmers Market Corn Roast

### September

- 4 Labor Day Closed
- 10 Metro District Meeting
- 13 Team Trivia is Back
- 23 Farmers Market Brats

### October

18 DDGER Visitation





Don't forget we have bar snack pizza, pigs in a blanket, cheese sticks for \$3.50. Mini Charcuterie Board - \$6.00



Tuesday and Friday Order dinner in.

(Thursday Sliders will return in the Fall.)



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

			July, 2023	Look for calendar updates on the web at: http://tinyurl.com/99urhlo		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 25	26	27	28	29	30	July 1
Open 4 PM	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Open 4 PM	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Farmers Market - Hot Dog Sales 9 AM - 2 PM Open 4 PM
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Closed Grand Lodge Convention July 2-5	Closed	Closed for 4th of July	Open 4 PM	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Open 4 PM
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Closed	Open 4 PM Orientation 7 PM BBQ Reservation Deadline	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM Lodge Anniversary - Charter signed in 1956	Open 4 PM	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Open 4 PM <b>Lodge BBQ</b>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Closed Newsletter Deadline	Open 4 PM 6:30 PM House Comm 7:30 PM Bd of Dir Mtg	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Open 4 PM 6:15 PM Bldg Corp 7:30 PM Lodge Mtg	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Open 4 PM
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Closed	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Open 4 PM	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM	Open 4 PM
30	31	Aug 1	2	3	4	5
Closed	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM Calendar Mtg 7 PM	Open 4 PM	Open 4 PM	Dinner 5:30-7:30 PM Queen of Hearts Raffle	Open 4 PM

Farmington Memorial Day Parade - Grand Marshall Dr. Ed Hirsch, our own Esteemed Leading Knight



Flag Day Ceremony, June 14, 2023





















































### (My thanks to B J Hebel for the following photos. Her angle was much better than mine. - PE)





