



Farmington Elks Track

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From the ER:

Members All:

Well, despite what I had to say last month, spring hasn't exactly gotten off to a rousing start. Cold, but warming, snow just a little while ago, but it should be a memory soon.

We have a lot of things going on at the lodge in May. Memorial Day, Mother's Day, our Open House, and the annual State Convention in Sault Ste. Marie.

Let us all think about the joys of motherhood for Mother's Day and the wonderful bravery that we salute on Memorial Day.

Mothers, grandmothers, and even great-grandmothers dot the roster of our Elks Lodge. These wonderful women have shaped our lives as we have become the men and women we are.

And even though we celebrate the mothers who are with us, let's not forget those who are no longer here. In the last month alone, four of our members have lost their mothers. Our members Jenn Milton, Tracy McKibben, Terri Harriman and Cris Doby have all faced the sadness of saying goodbye.

Let's give them all special attention on the first of many anniversaries of them departing this world.

Let's also celebrate Memorial Day, the official start of summer in Michigan, with a much deeper meaning. Give our Elk members whom you know are veterans an extra measure of respect.

During April, several of us were officially installed as officers. In speaking about the officers who had moved on last month, I forgot to mention Ted Kulisz, our Inner Guard. Thank you Teddy for your service.

Also, during the installation ceremony, I added one more item to my hopes for the year.

I would like each one of you to reach out to one friend, one relative, one person, and see if they would like to join this wonderful world of Elkdom. One more from each of you could make a ONEderful difference.

Fraternally ONE,
Steve

New Food Options at Elks in May

Starting Tuesday May 1st, the Elks will be providing our Tuesday and Friday dinners in a new and exciting way.

To provide more variety, at each table, and the bar, we will have menus from two great restaurants in our area. The Brass Pointe and 2 Roses.

Each of you will be able to order from them at the same prices on their menu and pay for it at the Elks.

We will try to put orders together at times. For example, on Friday we will try to work this way:

Brass Pointe - Order at	5:30
2 Roses - Order at	5:45
Brass Pointe	6:15
2 Roses	6:30
Brass Pointe	7:00
2 Roses	7:15

Later if needed.

Dinner will be delivered to the Elks 30 minutes after ordering. Friday dinners will be put on Elks plates, with silverware, Tuesday dinners will be served on a to-go plastic plate from either restaurant.

It is our hope that we can eventually provide this service more often than just twice a week.

Let's start with Tuesdays and Fridays and see where we go with it. Be patient. We think we can make this work.

I would like to take this time to also thank Cheryl Stanley from Choice Catering for providing us with her fine food during our transition from closing the kitchen.

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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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Betty Jean Hebel - President, Jerry Holcomb - V. President
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Tom Bozek, Gary Gundle and Bob Koenig

2017-18 Lodge Award Winners

Elk of the Year:
Officer of the Year:
Citizen of the Year:
GER Award:
GER Award:

*Congratulations to our Lodge Treasurer
Bob Koenig and his wonderful wife May on
celebrating 65 years of marriage!*

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday May 13th — 11:00AM to 1:00PM

Adults \$15, Children 12 and Under \$7

Quiche

French Toast

Fresh Fruit

Sausage

Ham

Cheesy Potato Casserole

Green Bean Casserole

Dessert

Juice, Coffee, Milk, Mimosas



RSVP To the Office — 248.476.1986

(Include your estimated arrival time and please request gluten free options if needed with your reservation)

Brainstorming

I would like each and every member of The Elks to join to brainstorm what we can do to figure out how we can raise money for fund raising in our local community.

No idea is too crazy, too farfetched, too hard to do, or too complicated.

I would like to do this on Friday May 4th, right after dinner is done when we already have a decent crowd.

Come on folks, dig in. We'll write down every idea, discuss them and try to come up with a monthly fund raiser.

Let's not use just the people we always rely on. Everyone help out.

Join us for dinner and brainstorming.

See you on May 4th.

2018-2019 Events

May	5	Cinco de Mayo
	12	Open House
	13	Mother's Day Brunch
	17-20	MEA Spring Conv. Kewadin
	19	Pinochle
	28	Memorial Day Pot Luck
June	9	Poker Run
	10	Flag Day Ceremony
	15	Pinochle
	16	Metro Dist Golf Outing
July	1-4	150th Nat'l Conv - San Antonio
	19-22	Farmington Founders Festival
	29	Old Timers Picnic/Party
Aug	11	Metro Dist Gold Key Golf - Pt. Huron Elks
	18	Corn Roast
	26	Family Pot Luck/Corn Hole Tourney
Sept	8	PER Steak Out?
	9	Metro District Mtg
	15	Pinochle
	16	Golf Banquet
	25	Oktoberfest
Oct	6	State Ritual Clinic
	13	Lodge Halloween Party
	19-21	MEA Fall Conv, Radisson Kalamazoo
	20	MSU vs UM
	27	Pinochle
Nov	10	MSU vs OSU
	11	Veterans Day
	17	Pinochle
	22	Thanksgiving
	24	UM vs OSU
Dec	2	Memorial Service
	8	Hoop Shoot?
	9	Children's Christmas Party
	15	Pinochle
	29	Ugly Xmas Sweater Party
Jan	12	Glow Ball Tournament
	13	Metro Dist Mtg
	19	Pinochle
	26	White Elephant Party
Feb	3	Super Bowl Sunday
	6	Nominations
	16	Pinochle
	20	Election of Officers
Mar	2	9-Ball Tourney
	16	Pinochle
	30	Installation of Officers

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Farmington Elks Open House Saturday May 12, 2018 4:00-6:00PM

Farmington Hills Police Chief Chuck Nebus and the Farmington Hills Police Honor Guard will be present to accept a \$1500.00 grant from Grand Lodge.

Additionally, this year's scholarship winners, Phoebe and Jack Block will be present to receive their checks.

The Public is invited to hear how we live up to our Motto:
Elks Care - Elks Share

Invite your neighbors, friends and family

Light Appetizers and soft drinks will be served

2018 Installation of Officers



Men's 8 Ball League Playoff Championship Day

The Farmington Elks Men's 8 Ball Pool League conducted their 15th annual championship playoffs on Saturday, April 7th. After 5 months of grueling competition, six teams qualified for the playoffs this day for the grand championship. Two teams came down to the showdown match. The "Spartans" consisting of Ralph Heidecker & Paul Masciarelli and the "Beasters" – consisting of Bill Bertera & Don Brandt met for this final match. After several nail biting games, the "Spartans" persevered and won the Grand Championship. Congratulations –Ralph Heidecker & Paul Masciarelli!

A great time was had by all this day. The league provided a superb buffet (provided by Cheryl's Choice Catering) that was available and free to all lodge members and their guests. Much thanks and appreciation to the volunteers and contributors who worked hard all day to provide the entertainment and feast: Laurie Kuznia, Dana Glinski, Rick & Jenn Milton, Gary Groves and all those many other wonderful Elks who volunteered to bring in a multitude of delicious side dishes & desserts (sorry, I lost track of every one.)

We'll be starting our membership drive in September for league enrollment – keep your eyes open for forthcoming details.

Fraternally,
Paul Masciarelli
Men's 8 Ball League Chairman



Pass Pinochle News

We welcome May flowers and hopefully no more cold weather. Welcome back our Snowbirds too. We had 4 ½ tables for April.



April Winners —

1st Carolyn Dillon	673
2nd Greg Larscheidt	667
3rd Theresa O'Bey	650
Good Sport - Bob K./Jim S.	388

March Winners —

1st Bob Koenig	658
2nd Marj Perkins	643
3rd Jim Sockow	640
Good Sport - Marge Mueller	256

We had sad news — Margaret Hamilton passed away April 15th. She has been playing cards with us since March 2007. She will be missed.

Please bring a partner, friend, neighbor or fellow Elk and join us for fun and good snacks. We start promptly at 7:00, cost is \$5.00. See you all soon at the Lodge. Next dates to play — May 19th and June 15th.

Dates for next year — no pinochle in July and August, Sept. 15, Oct 27th (change due to UM/MSU. game), Nov. 17th, Dec. 15th. And in 2019 — Jan. 19th, Feb. 16th, Mar. 16th, April 13th (changed due to Easter), May 18th and June 15th.

Jim, Pat, Bob and May



Here's How It works:

- We start at the Farmington Elks, for a brush up on the rules and to catch the bus
- Coolers and adult beverages are permitted onboard
- We visit 3 additional Elks lodges
- At each stop, hors d'oeuvres will be provided by the hosting lodge
- You will receive one card (sealed in an envelope), at each stop
- After about 45 minutes, we head to the next lodge... and so on
- After visiting three other Elks, we head back to our Lodge, where you get your fourth and fifth cards
- Once everyone has their set, prizes will be awarded for the best poker hands

Prize money will be based on the number of participants, less expenses. Advanced payment of \$25 is required to reserve your seat. There is a signup sheet behind the bar.

—We must have 30 people sign up to keep this event due to the cost of the bus—

Questions? Contact Jenn Milton 248-477-3894

American House Update

A friendly relationship was established with the veterans and residents of American House of Farmington Hills and the Elk members of Farmington Lodge #1986 last Veterans Day. All members of Farmington lodge have been invited to American House on June 14, 2018 for their flag raising at 11:30 AM immediately followed by lunch and cocktails.

Please save the date and contact me with your desire to share in mutual patriotism with our friends at American House.

Fraternaly,
Jimmi Madigan, PER
248-345-5890
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May Birthdays

3	Gary Gundle
11	Buzz Holzknicht Mark M Keeley
16	Ralph Parry
18	Gary Groves
19	William Bertera Jr Stephen De Davis Patricia Welling
21	Rick Bowes
30	April Raitz
31	John Boyd Phyllis Evans Debra Smith

Donations

Orange can donations:
Jen & Marty Chinn
Bar

Pink MMP Banks:
Bob & May Koenig
Denise Pistonetti
Norm Slessor
Bar



**JOIN US AT THE LODGE
MEMORIAL DAY
MONDAY, MAY 28TH, 4:00 PM
LODGE ACTIVITIES IS PROVIDING:
HOT DOGS WITH ALL THE FIXINS
CHIPS
TUNA MACARONI SALAD**

BRING A DISH TO PASS



Saturday, May 5, 2018

\$4.00 Margaritas

\$7.95 Taco Salad

\$2.00 Tacos (choice of hard or soft shell)

Beef, cheese, lettuce for the tacos, (sour cream .25 extra)

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler

Malcolm J. Mcpherson Jr.

**Two May holidays recognize moms
and military**



I've written a lot over the past several months about my theme for the year of "Strengthening Elkdome Through Community Awareness" and the many ways Elks can support it. May is a particularly special month: Not only is spring finally here, but it also brings some important moments for us to celebrate mothers and the military in our communities with Mother's Day and Memorial Day. There's no better way to strengthen Elkdome than by focusing on causes meaningful to the Order.

As Mother's Day approaches on May 13, think about the ways you can honor the mothers and grandmothers in your personal life and Lodge life. Host a breakfast or lunch so they don't have to cook or set up a donation drive for those who may be struggling to support their families. These small acts will make a big difference. They allow you to recognize the women who make lasting contributions to your Lodge while also doing the most important job of all.

While Memorial Day for many is associated with barbecues, beaches, and the unofficial start of summer, the true meaning of the holiday—honoring our fallen soldiers—often goes unnoticed. The last Monday of May is a much more significant holiday for Elks as strong supporters of our armed and uniformed forces and veterans. I urge you to take a break from your summer fun to participate in Memorial Day activities in your communities, such as parades and memorial services, as well as host your own rituals to remember our soldiers and other uniformed officers.

The holiday is also a great time to reach out to our veterans, since as Elks we believe that "So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them." While Elks support veterans with programs and outreach throughout the year, think about how you can help at your local VA this May or invite them to your Lodge for a dinner or Memorial Day service.

I look forward to celebrating these May occasions with you. I will see you out there!

\$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.

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In Memory Of

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May, 2018

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
April 29	30	1	2	3	4	5
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	7:00 PM PER Mtg 8:00 PM Lodge Mtg	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Cinco De Mayo
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	7:30 House Comm	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Open House 4-6 PM
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Mother's Day Brunch - 11 AM - 1 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	6:00 PM Bldg Corp Mtg 8:00 Lodge Mtg	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Pinochle @ 7 PM
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM Track Deadline 	Club Open 4 PM		Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM
27	28	29	30	31	June 1	2
Club Open 4 PM	Memorial Day Pot Luck - 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	7:30 Bd of Dir Mtg	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM	Club Open 4 PM
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