



Farmington Elks Track

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From the ER:

November Is Elks Veterans Remembrance Month

An estimated twenty-two million veterans live in our communities. The Elks National President, Michael T. Luhr, has proclaimed November to be Veterans Remembrance Month as a way to encourage us to reach out to local Veterans and offer your support.

This November and every month of the year, Elk will serve thousands of Veterans across the country. Elks volunteer at more than 330 VA Medical Centers, State Veterans Homes, clinics, transitional shelters and Veterans facilities where they plan activities, buy needed supplies, host meals and offer friendship. Elks help Veterans rehabilitate and thrive by supporting adaptive sports events, and providing therapy kits and wheelchair gloves to recovering Veterans.

More recently, Elks have pledged to help end Veteran homelessness by pledging \$4 million dollars to assist Veterans experiencing homelessness. We've since helped thousands of Veterans exit or prevent homelessness. Our Elks Lodges are focal points for supporting local military members and Veterans and meeting their needs. Last year alone, the total value of Elks' contributions to our nation's Veterans was nearly \$47 million, and our members served more than 677,000 Veterans.

This Veterans Remembrance Month, we urge you to join the Elks in recognition of and service to the Veterans in your community. Let us also remember the words of Elk member and President John F. Kennedy who said, "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them."

This wording above is from our Grand Exalted Ruler, Michael Luhr. I couldn't think of a better way to write this, so I used it to start my monthly musings.

In our own Lodge, we will celebrate on Sunday November 11th. We will be doing a ceremony at three different retirement homes. They are The Manor of Farmington Hills, The Manoogian Manor and the American House. We have done these in the past and they are stirring renditions.

In addition, we recognize what a special time of the year this is. Thanksgiving. It is a remembrance of all the things that these veterans have done for us, and how truly thankful we all are for them. It is also a time for giving

thanks to all that we have done for our Lodge, and for all the Lodge has done for us.

Other things going on in November will be our annual Hoop Shoot on Saturday November 10th and our Pot Luck on November 24th for the big rumble between Michigan and Ohio State. GO BLUE!!!

Time got away from us in October, so we've decided to have an Open House/Pot Luck the same day as Lions game, November 18th from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Look for more details elsewhere in our Track.

Happy Thanksgiving Day to all of you.

Faternally yours

Steve Luce

Memorial Service

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend our annual Memorial Service on Sunday, December 2, 2018 at Noon. Grand Lodge requires only 2 services each year, Flag Day Service and the Memorial Service where we honor and remember those Elks who have passed away. It's not long, and it is our way of remembering those no longer with us.

Returning December 1st Saturday Breakfast 9 AM - Noon

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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)

Office Manager – Jennifer Chinn, PER
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Office Hours 10:00 – 4:00, Monday – Friday

Lodge Secretary – Tom Killiany, DVC
Elks1986@gmail.com

Office Hours 6:00 – 8:00 PM Monday & Wednesday
or by appointment

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Website: <http://elks1986.weebly.com>
Calendar: <http://tinyurl.com/99urhlo>
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Knight, Loyal Knight, and Lecturing Knight)

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ScholarshipsJennifer Chinn, PER248-421-6349
Veterans Steve Luce.....248-921-3261
Youth Activities Open.....

2018 – 2019 Building Corporation

Betty Jean Hebel - President, Jerry Holcomb - V. President
Rick Brenz - Treasurer, Andrew Lauderback - Secretary,
Tom Bozek, Gary Gundle and Bob Koenig

2017-18 Lodge Award Winners

Elk of the Year: Carol Clark
Officer of the Year: Paul Masciarelli
Citizen of the Year: Jennifer Milton
GER Award: Laurie Kuznia
GER Award: Jennifer Chinn, PER

Volunteers Needed!

Anyone out there want to help run the Kids Christmas Party on Sunday, December 9th? We also need volunteers to shop for gifts for the children, cook pancakes and sausage, and do crafts with the children.

We're also looking for someone to organize and run the Ugly Christmas Sweater Party on December 29th. It's a fun party for all.

If you can help out in any way, please talk to Jenn Milton or ER Steve Luce. This is your Lodge. Help make it a success.

Incentive Time!

Know someone who would like to join the Elks? Give them an application or bring them down on November 18th for an Open House and Pot Luck (hot dogs provided) from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Can't get to the Lodge to pick one up or see what the Open House offers? Online info to the rescue. Invitations and applications are available at the Grand Lodge website at:

<https://www.elks.org/members/emasFAQ.cfm>

Any member who sponsors someone will be eligible for a \$25 gift certificate to be used at the Lodge once the new member has been initiated. Have five friends or relatives join and get five certificates. The more the merrier.

2018-2019 Events

Nov	10	Hoop Shoot MSU vs OSU
	11	Veterans Day
	17	Pinochle
	18	Open House & Pot Luck 1-3 PM
	22	Thanksgiving
	24	UM vs OSU
Dec	2	Memorial Service
	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

Thursday Specials At The Lodge.

For the month of November we will continue offering specials that are prepared by our members to be sold from the bar. Unlike past month's November will be offering a different special each Thursday.

Nov 1 - Sloppy Joes & Chips

Nov 8 - Chicken Sandwiches & Chips

Nov 15 - Italian Sausage & Chips

Nov 22 - THANKSGIVING - Lodge Closed

Nov 29 - Chicken Strips & Fries

Stop by on Thursday evenings and try our special and renew some friendships with other members. If Thursdays don't work in your schedule, don't forget that we are ordering from the menu at either of two of our nearby restaurants on Tuesdays and Fridays. By doing any of the above, you will be helping the Lodge make a few bucks.

Another Great Friday Special Dinner

Once again our members, Gary Groves as head chef, Jim Wlosinski who did all the prep work prior to cooking, Laurie Kuznia and Dana Glinski as our waitresses, along with our bar manager Teresa Leithead, pushed this event over the top for another total success. We cannot thank them enough for the great job they did with the large crowd that showed up for this event.

It's been a while since we served 45 meals in one evening. We also must apologize to those who experienced a wait for their meals. Because of the large amount of people attending and ordering at about the same time, it did cause the chef to have an over abundance of orders at one time. Thanks for your patience to those that had to wait (hopefully for a short time) to eat.

Thanks again to each of our volunteers who helped put this evening on, but MOSTLY thanks to you our members who came and supported the event and the Farmington Elks Lodge #1986. Hopefully we'll see you soon at the Lodge.

Would you like to become a Track Patron?
Help support the Track by becoming a patron.
The cost is only \$20 per year.

Contact the Lodge Secretary, Office Manager Jen Chinn or Editor Phyllis Evans for more information.

Notice of Proposed By-Law and House Rule Changes

At the regular Lodge meeting on October 17, 2018 revisions to both the Lodge By-Laws and House Rules were proposed in writing, read on the floor and laid over for a vote.

By-Law Change:

Current By-Law: ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular Lodge meetings of this Lodge shall be held on the first and third Wednesday of each month throughout the year, except in the months of July and August, in which the Lodge shall meet on the third Wednesday.

Proposed Change:

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Summary: Proposal would change the current requirement of holding two Lodge meetings per month to requiring only one Lodge meeting per month.

House Rule Change:

Current House Rule #16 (April, 2014)

In respect of our absent members, hats/headwear will not be worn at the bar. Exceptions may be granted by the bartender on duty or any elected officer present.

Proposed Change:

Eliminate House Rule 16.

By order of the Exalted Ruler, discussion and voting on these proposed changes will take place at the regular Lodge meeting, convening at 8pm, on December 5, 2018.

Thomas Killiany, PER
Lodge Secretary
Farmington Elks #1986

Ref: Grand Lodge Annotated Statutes, Section 17.060.

Amendments or revisions by By-Laws, Rules of Order and House Rules of a Lodge shall be proposed in writing, read at a regular meeting of the Lodge and laid over for a vote at a regular Lodge meeting to be held not less than two **(2)** weeks nor more than eight **(8)** weeks thereafter. Notice setting forth the full proposed amendment or revision of the By-Laws, Rules of Order and House Rules shall be sent to all members at least ten **(10)** days before the regular meeting at which the proposed amendment or revision is to be voted upon. A majority vote of Members at the meeting shall be required for adoption.

\$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.

CPR/AED Class

(Registrations Deadline - Nov 1 — Better Late Than Never)

The Farmington Public Safety Department will be hosting a Heartsaver CPR/AED class on November 8th, 6:30pm - 10:00pm at the City of Farmington Council Chambers. This Heartsaver class will focus on CPR for adults, children and infants and the use of an AED. No cost to Farmington residents, \$20 for non-Farmington residents.

Questions, registration (by Nov 1st) contact Officer James Wren at jwren@farmgov.com.

November Birthdays

01	John Madigan
05	Rocco Giurlanda
	Fred McGrath
06	Pamela Miller
13	Richard Shelley
14	Gerald Yeomans
23	Kent Teeters
26	William Bakhaus
	Dana Glinski
	Rebecca Grigsby
	Laurie Kuznia
29	Joyce Burns

September Pink Bank Challenge

We received donations from:

Phyllis Evans
 Ted Kulisz
 Jenn Milton
 Rick Milton
 Barney & Geri Skop-2
 Jim & Pat Sockow-2
 Teresa Leithead
 Danny Duhani
 Kevin Goshorn
 Jen Chinn
 Marty Chinn

It's Hoop Shoot Time Again In Elkdom

For the last several years about this time our Farmington Elks #1986 prepares to host the Grand Lodge sponsored Annual Hoop Shoot (Free Throw) Competition for boys and girls who have reached the age of 8 but not older than 13 as of April 1, 2019. The designated date for this years competition is Saturday November 10th with registration starting at 9am at East Middle School on Middlebelt between 10 & 11 Mile roads.

We will visit the schools in our area to encourage their students to compete and we also encourage our members to talk with their relatives, friends and neighbors about participating in this competition. You can either call Jen Chinn at the Lodge office at 248 476-1986 or Bob Michela at 517 740-1232 for any further information. We are also looking for adults to help stage this event on the day of the competition. Check out the postings at the Lodge.

Elks & Goodfellows Christmas Project



Like last year, beginning November 1st there will be two boxes in the lobby to collect mittens, gloves, hats and scarves (mainly for children). We will be putting up the Christmas tree sometime in mid-November, and once it's up, these items will be used as temporary decorations.

The boxes will remain in the lobby for the extra items that will not fit on the tree. For the knitters and crocheters in the Lodge, this is a good way to use some of that yarn that is sitting in your stash. Don't knit or crochet? These things are not expensive. Buy some. Times are still tough, and keeping hats and scarves and mittens on growing kids can eat into an already stretched budget for some of our less fortunate neighbors. Don't feel like shopping? We'd be more than happy to accept your cash donations and shop for you.

Any questions? Talk to Laurie Kuznia, Tony Ferrante or check with Jen Chinn in the office.

Annual Lodge ENF Reverse Raffle

Tickets are now available for our 6th annual Reverse Raffle benefiting the Elks National Foundation. These tickets can be purchased in the Lodge office or from any bartender. Drawing will be in February. The cost of each ticket is \$20.00 and only 200 tickets will be sold.

Making A Difference

With the holidays coming fast, there are a couple of different ways to help Michigan Major Project without impacting your bank account. MMP has had a tie in with Kroger Community Rewards for a few years now, and it has been adding roughly \$1,000 a year to the budget. They also have a tie in to the Amazon Smile program. Publicity for this program has only started in the last month, but it has the potential to be something truly lucrative, and it's simple to use. Go through the URL <http://smile.amazon.com>. Once you have selected your charity, bookmark that URL and use it, and most of your purchases will result in a .5% rebate to MMP. Simple. The following is an explanation from MMP's Diane Dusendang.

Amazon Smile Helping Michigan Major Project

Michigan Major Project and Amazon Smile teamed up! You shop, indicate that you'd like your donation to go to "Michigan Elks Association Major Project Commission", and the kids receive a donation! This is another "passive giving" program that you can be involved in that helps special needs children, with little or no effort on your part, but each and every purchase (the Holiday's are coming!) provides a donation!

About AmazonSmile

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice.

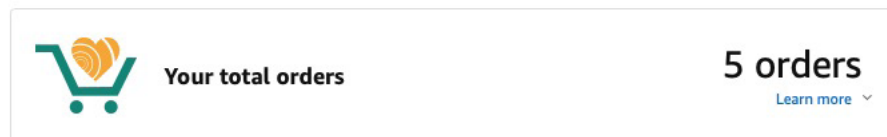
Every item available for purchase on www.amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) at the same price. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Be sure to indicate "Michigan Elks Association Major Project Commission" as your charitable organization!

Thank you for shopping and donating for the kids during the Holiday Season!
Michigan Elks Association Major Project Commission

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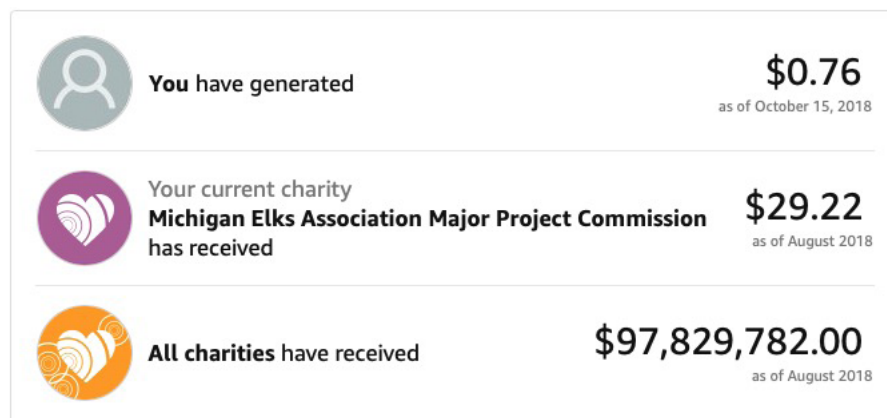
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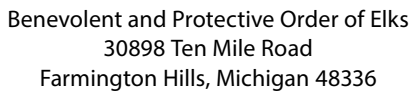


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