

ROYAL OAK DETROIT

#34



JULY 2026

NEWSLETTER



LODGE INFO

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Secretary

Carla Johnson

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE

royaloakdetroitelks.com



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Find us on

Instagram

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LODGE HOURS

Mon, Tue, Thurs. - 5pm-10pm

Wednesday - 1pm to 10pm

Friday - 5pm to 10pm

Saturday - 2pm to 10pm

Sunday - 2pm to 8pm

OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Thurs - 12 to 2

LODGE MEETINGS

4th Thursday of each Month

@7pm

Except Feb, March & April

2nd and 4th Thursday

Nov & Dec 2nd Thursday



Dear Members,

I hope you and your family are enjoying a wonderful summer and have a safe and happy Independence Day. July is a month that reminds us of the freedoms we enjoy, the importance of community, and the friendships that make our Lodge such a special place.

As we move through the summer, I'd like to begin by thanking everyone who continues to volunteer their time and talents. Whether you help with events, support our charitable programs, assist behind the scenes, or simply attend and encourage others, you are what makes Royal Oak-Detroit Elks Lodge #34 thrive. Every hour you give strengthens our Lodge and our ability to serve our community.

This month, our Lodge will be represented at the Elks Grand Lodge Convention in Chicago, July 5-8. Trustee /PER Jim Flanigan, Trustee Michelle Collick, Secretary Carla Johnson, and I are honored to represent Royal Oak -Detroit Lodge #34 as we join Elks from across the country to celebrate our Order, learn from one another, and bring back new ideas to benefit our members. We look forward to sharing highlights from the convention when we return.

Closer to home, I hope many of you will join us for our Annual Golf Outing on Saturday, July 18. Whether you're an experienced golfer or just looking for a fun day with fellow members and friends, this event is always one of the highlights of our summer. Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to organize the outing and to our sponsors and volunteers who help make it a success. Your efforts not only provide a great day of fellowship but also support the important work of our Lodge.

I look forward to seeing you at our next Lodge meeting Thursday, July 23rd. Until then, enjoy the rest of your summer, stay safe, and remember...**Elks Care — Elks Share.**

Fraternally Yours, Jill Kusters, Exalted Ruler

2026-2027 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler
Jill Kusters

Leading Knight
Dave Fett

Loyal Knight
Sean Dare

Lecturing Knight
Glen Goodson

Secretary
Carla Johnson

Treasurer
Lana Chappell

Esquire
Mike Rearick

Inner Guard
Michele Murto

Chaplin
Wendy Gambill

Tiler
Pat Villerot

Board of Trustees

- 1 Year - Randy Ravary
- 2 Year - Jerry Reynolds
- 3 Year - Michelle Collick
- 4 Year - Dan Martin
- 5 Year - Jim Flanigan

Board of Directors Chair

Jim Flanigan

House Committee Chair

Michelle Collick

See the Calendar on the last page for all events
And the calendar on our website
[@www.royaloakdetroitelks.com](http://www.royaloakdetroitelks.com)

LODGE EVENTS



SAVE THE DATE

ROYAL OAK-DETROIT
LODGE 34
— ANNUAL —
GOLF
~ SCRAMBLE ~

SATURDAY
JULY 18, 2026

CLOCK CHECK IN AT 7:30
SHOTGUN START AT 8:00
AT THE

RAMMLER
GOLF CLUB

SEE REGISTRATION FORM
— FOR MORE DETAILS! —





ELKS APPAREL
— WE CARE — WE SHARE —



LONG SLEEVE DRY-FIT
2-SIDED



T-SHIRT



POLO SHIRT

APPAREL ORDER FORM

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Payment Method: ☐ Cash ☐ Check Total Amount: \$_____

 **T-SHIRT** Price: \$15.00 for S-XL \$17.00 for 2XL \$20.00 for 3XL-5XL
 Size: ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ 2XL ☐ 3XL ☐ Other _____
 Color: ☐ Navy ☐ Light Blue ☐ Black

 **POLO SHIRT** Price: \$24.00 for S-XL \$28.00 for 2XL \$32.00 for 3XL-5XL
 Size: ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ 2XL ☐ 3XL ☐ Other _____
 Color: ☐ Navy ☐ Light Blue ☐ Black ☐ White ☐ Red

 **LONG SLEEVE DRY-FIT 2-SIDED** Price: \$25.00 for S-XL \$28.00 for 2XL \$32.00 for 3XL
 Size: ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ 2XL ☐ 3XL
 Color: ☐ Navy ☐ Light Blue ☐ Black



WE CARE



WE SHARE

Payment is due with order form.
Orders will be placed once a **minimum of 5 orders** is reached.

SHOW YOUR ELKS PRIDE!
★ **ORDER TODAY!** ★

— ♥ —

ROUND UP

Make a Big Impact!

**SUPPORT THE
BUILDING FUND**



Every little bit adds up to something great! When you round up your purchase, you're helping create a stronger future for our community.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:



YOU SHOP
Enjoy your purchase as usual.



WE ROUND UP
We round your total up to the next dollar.



WE GIVE TOGETHER
100% of the round-up goes to our fund.

EXAMPLES:

\$12.40 ROUNDS UP TO \$13.00	\$27.65 ROUNDS UP TO \$28.00	\$49.10 ROUNDS UP TO \$50.00
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*Small change.
Big change. ♥*

Thank you ♥

TOGETHER, WE CAN
MAKE AN
Amazing Impact!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! ♥ THANK YOU FOR BELIEVING IN OUR FUTURE!



ROYAL OAK-DETROIT
ELKS LODGE #34



DJ & KARAOKE
NIGHT

Saturday,
JULY 11TH
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM

★ **ROYAL OAK-DETROIT ELKS LODGE #34** ★

Bring your singing voice and get ready for a great night of entertainment!

★ *Elks Care* • *Elks Share* ★

Join us for an evening of music, dancing, and karaoke fun!

- ★ Sing your favorite songs
- ★ Dance to great music
- ★ Enjoy friends, fun, and fellowship
- ★ Open to Members and Their Guests

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS TO COORDINATE AND HELP WITH EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES AT THE LODGE. IF INTERESTED, PLEASE REACH OUT TO AN OFFICER AT THE LODGE OR CONTACT US AT **OFFICEMANAGER34@COMCAST.NET** OR LEAVE US A MESSAGE THROUGH OUR WEBSITE AT **ROYALOAKDETROITELKS.COM**



ROYAL OAK-DETROIT
ELKS LODGE 34
— ANNUAL —

GOLF SCRAMBLE

SATURDAY
JULY 18, 2026

— AT THE —
RAMMLER
— GOLF CLUB —

🕒 **CHECK IN AT 7:30**
🔫 **SHOTGUN START AT 8:00**



SPONSORSHIP

Completed Form and Money
due by June 30th

Elks Contact Name: _____

Your Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Phone: _____

Questions – Jim Flanigan

Phone - 248-544-3560

Email - flanigan@easttown.com

Cash, Check or QR Code

Hole Sponsorships:

- ☐ **Gold Sponsor - \$1000**
Includes 1 Foursome, Banner at the Lodge, Gimmick Hole Sponsor and two signs on the course.
- ☐ **Silver Sponsor - \$500**
Includes Banner at the Lodge, Gimmick Hole Sponsor and two signs on the course.
- ☐ **Bronze Sponsor - \$250**
Includes Gimmick Hole Sponsor and two signs on the course.
- ☐ **Corporate Sponsor - \$100**
Includes two signs on the course.
- ☐ **Hole Sponsor - \$50**
Includes sign on course.

Name of Sponsor or Message: _____

REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!

Completed Form and fee are due by June 30th

Registration fee includes green fee, cart fee, grab bag, hot dog at the turn, chances to win prizes and dinner immediately following at the Royal Oak-Detroit Elks #34 (2401 E. 4th Street, Royal Oak)

Captain Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Player 2 Name: _____

Player 3 Name: _____

Player 4 Name: _____

Contests - Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive (included in fee)

Skins and Optional Contests (paid the day of)

Raffle Items and 50/50 Also Available

CASH FEES Individual \$125 Team \$500

CREDIT CARD Individual \$130 Team \$520

(Payment by credit card is available online @elks34golf.square.site)

Registration Fee: \$ _____

Sponsorship(s): \$ _____

Dinner Guest: _____ x \$25.00 = \$ _____

Grand Total: \$ _____

Make Checks payable to Royal Oak-Detroit Elks.
Mail form with check to 2401 E. 4th Street,
Royal Oak, MI 48067 or drop off to the
Bartender at the Royal Oak-Detroit Elks.



OR USE THIS QR CODE
TO PAY FOR GOLF, HOLE
SPONSOR, OR DINNER
GUEST

A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO GOLD KEY
WHICH IS A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL NEEDS
STUDENTS FOR POST SECONDARY EDUCATION.

LODGE NEWS



ROYAL OAK-DETROIT ELKS LODGE 34 FLAG DAY CEREMONY

On Flag Day we honor the Stars and Stripes, a symbol of freedom, unity and the sacrifices made by generations of Americans.

Since the founding of our nation, the American flag has represented the values we hold dear: patriotism, service, and love of country.

As Elks, one of our core principles is patriotism. Across Michigan and throughout our nation, Elks Lodges proudly display the American flag and work to instill respect for our country's history and traditions.

God Bless America, our veterans, our active-duty military, and all which proudly stand beneath the Red, White and Blue.



★ ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE ★



LAW & ORDER NIGHT

★ HONORING THOSE WHO SERVE. PROTECT. INSPIRE. ★

On June 18th we recognized and thanked the men and women who go above and beyond for our community.












 RESPECT
  SERVICE
  COMMUNITY

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COURAGE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.
★ You make a difference every day. ★

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION & CEREMONY

SATURDAY - JUNE 20th

Honoring the fathers, grandfathers, and father figures who have made a lasting impact on our lives with love, guidance and dedication.



Happy Birthday

July Celebrants

Joshua Armes	Derek Meinecke
Robert Bezy	Thomas Mooney
Jennifer Chinn	William Pappas
Richard Elston	Rich Perry
Michael Fickel	Judith Ragan
Michael Gleason	Karl Schmidt
Frederick Hengel	Robert Shea
Mark Hubbard	Dave Sicheneder
Andrew Izydorek	Kathleen Tasch
Andrea Johnson	Louise Teitge
Norman Johnson	Donald Witte
Michael King	

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POWERED BY mortgage matchup

UWM FIELD

MICHIGAN ELKS ASSOCIATION
METRO DISTRICT #4200
FUN DAY AT UWM FIELD

DISTRICT FUNDRAISER
METRO DISTRICT FAMILY & FRIENDS DAY!

SUNDAY AUGUST 9, 2026

GATES OPEN 12:00 PM | **GAME STARTS 1:05 PM**

ADMISSION \$30 PER PERSON | **FREE PARKING, SHUTTLES AVAILABLE**

PICK UP TICKETS AT WILL CALL ON GAME DAY

CLICK THE LINK BELOW OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO PURCHASE TICKETS!

<https://square.link/u/cHujLyrV>

COME AND ENJOY WITH OTHER LODGE MEMBERS AND FAMILIES!
LET'S MAKE MEMORIES TOGETHER! SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY. SUPPORT OUR ELKS.

ELKS CHARITABLE GRANT FUND

37th Annual Metro District "GOLD KEY" GOLF OUTING
BENEFITING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS

AUGUST 8, 2026 | **PORT HURON ELKS LODGE #343**
3292 Beach Road
Port Huron, Michigan 48060
Pro Shop 1.810-984-1204

REGISTRATION STARTS AT 7:30 AM | **SHOTGUN START 8:30 AM** | **4-PERSON SCRAMBLE**

\$135.00 PER GOLFER | **\$540.00 FOURSOME** | **LIMITED TO 132 GOLFERS**
1ST COME, SOLD OUT IN 2025!

INCLUDES:

- GREEN FEES
- CART
- HOT DOG AT THE TURN
- DINNER
- EXTRA DINNERS \$40.00

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Diamond	\$1000
Gold	\$750
Silver	\$500
Bronze	\$250
Hole Sponsor	\$100
Friend of an Elk	\$50

DEADLINE ONLINE JULY 12, 2026 | **DEADLINE BY MAIL JULY 25, 2026**

SIGN UP YOUR WAY!

- SIGN UP A 4 SOME**
- BE A SINGLE GOLFER**
- BE A SPONSOR**

SIGN UP ONLINE BY USING THE QR CODE OR VISIT
<https://metrodistrictgoldkeygolf.square.site>

CONTACT: KEN SUNDBERG
Metro District Gold Key Committee Chairman
Email: dmksundberg@aol.com
Home Phone: 248-547-1222 (No Text)
Cell 248-494-2212

Please make your sponsor's checks payable to:
Metro District Elks Gold Key,
and send it to Ken Sundberg,
26635 Lorenz St., Madison Hgts, MI 48071

Elks National Foundation

Scholarship Programs

MICHIGAN ELKS GOLD KEY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ELKS CHARITABLE GRANT FUND
Unlocking the Door to Your Future

ABOUT THE GOLD KEY SCHOLARSHIP

The Michigan Elks Charitable Grant Fund is offering scholarships for special needs students 18-26 years of age who want to pursue higher education at an accredited educational institution or a licensed trade/vocational school.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Individual Education Plan (IEP) from school or a 504 Plan
- Primary Residence is the State of Michigan
- Parent/Guardian Financial Statement
- Official High School Transcript
- Letters of Recommendation

APPLICATION PROCESS

We kindly suggest you visit our website, review the application and gather the necessary supporting documentation. Once you have the supporting documentation, complete the practice application. Once you are familiar with the application and have the supporting documentation converted into PDF format, click the link below or scan the QR code to initiate the final application process.

WHO WE ARE

The Michigan Elks Association Charitable Grant Fund Scholarship Commission, (501c3) also known as the "Gold Key Scholarship Fund" was established by the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Elks Association to provide a post secondary education scholarship for special needs students to be funded through individual donor contributions.

mielks.org/charitable-grant-gold-key/

Applications Open in 2026
Jan 1- close March 1, Apr 1- close June 1
July 1- close Sept 1, Oct 1- close Dec 1

Elks National Foundation

Scholarship Programs

Membership

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NUMBER OF MEMBERS AS OF 06/30/26: 272

INCREASE OF 4

DELINQUENT: 44 LAPSATION: 16.42%

INITIATED: 7 DROPPED: 0

REINSTATED: 0 TRANSFER OUT: 0

TRANSFERS IN: 0 DEATH: 3

LIFE PERCENTAGE: 19.4%

ROD #34 CHARTIABLE GIVING

HOURS YTD: 472

DOLLARS YTD: \$2,791

IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR ABSENT MEMBERS

It is with a heavy heart that we announce
the passing of our brother in Elksdom



LARRY BOLANOWSKI

June 9, 1946 to May 24, 2026

He was a 35 year Lifetime Member
of Royal Oak-Detroit #34

WELCOME
New Member
TO THE
ROYAL OAK-DETROIT ELKS

CHARITY
JUSTICE
BROTHERLY LOVE

ALAN ASKEW

TOGETHER,
MAKING OUR
COMMUNITY
STRONGER
SINCE 1901.

WELCOME TO OUR LODGE.
WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY.



Royal Oak Detroit Elks Lodge #34
2401 East 4th Street, Royal Oak, MI 48067

PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

READ ON THE FLOOR AT THE JUNE 25, 2026 LODGE MEETING

CHRISTOPHER DAVIS

Royal Oak

Proposer - Bryan Wisniewski

PAUL ANTIOCH

Troy

Proposer - Charles Machi

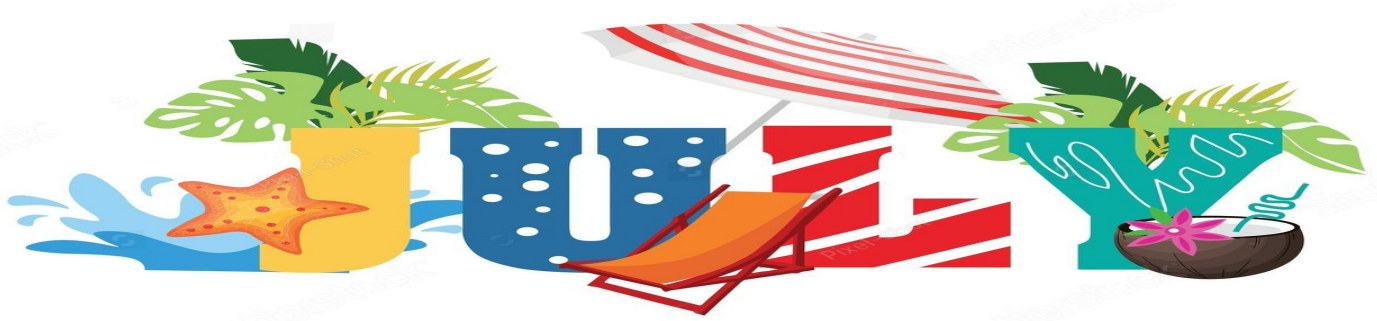


TO THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR TIME TO MAKE SURE OUR EVENTS LAST
MONTH WERE SUCCESSFUL! **THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!**

DAVE FETT, KATHY TASCH, MIKE REARICK, MICHELE MURTO,

JILL KOSTERS, CARLA JOHNSON, JIM & LAURA FLANIGAN,

TERESA & SHAD GARNER, JAMIE POEHLMAN & GLEN GOODSON



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 SPORTS CARD SHOW 11am - 6pm	2 THIRSTY THURSDAY	3 FREE JUKEBOX 8-10	
5 GRAND LODGE CONVENTION IN CHICAGO CLOSED FOR 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY	6	7	8 SPORTS CARD SHOW 11am - 6pm	9 THIRSTY THURSDAY	10 FREE JUKEBOX 8-10	
12	13 DROP-IN EUCHRE EVERY MONDAY Registration @6:30	14	15 SPORTS CARD SHOW 11am - 6pm HC MTG @6:30 BOD MTG @7	16 THIRSTY THURSDAY	17 FREE JUKEBOX 8-10	
19	20 DROP-IN EUCHRE EVERY MONDAY Registration @6:30	21	22 SPORTS CARD SHOW 11am - 6pm	23 THIRSTY THURSDAY LODGE MTG @7PM	24 FREE JUKEBOX 8-10	25
26	27 DROP-IN EUCHRE EVERY MONDAY Registration @6:30	28	29 SPORTS CARD SHOW 11am - 6pm	30 THIRSTY THURSDAY	31 FREE JUKEBOX 8-10	1

NEED A HALL TO RENT FOR A PARTY, WEDDING, SHOWER, GRADUATION, ETC. OR A ROOM FOR A MEETING?
WE HAVE WHAT YOU NEED! FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE HALL MANAGER AT
HCRODELKS@YAHOO.COM OR CALL 248.544.3560

Upcoming Events

SAT - AUGUST 8TH - GOLD KEY OUTING AT PORT HURON
SUN - AUGUST 9TH - DISTRICT BASEBALL GAME @UWM
WED - AUGUST 12TH - HC MTG @6:30 & BOD MTG @7:00
THURSDAY - AUGUST 27TH - LODGE MEETING @7:00

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR EVENT DETAILS