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we write upon the Sand -*

*Their Virtues upon the  
tablets of Love and Memory*

ELK--GRAM

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LINCOLN, NEBRASKA      APRIL, 1978

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On February 15, 1978, Lincoln Lodge #80 elected Brother Ralph L. Giebelhaus to the Office of Exalted Ruler for the fraternal year 1978-1979. On Wednesday, April 5, 1978, the PUBLIC INSTALLATION ceremonies will be held during the regular Lodge meeting and all brothers and wives are urged to attend this impressive ceremony beginning at about 8:30 p.m. in the Lodge room.

A reception will follow the installation on the third floor.

Brother Ralph was born February 23, 1942 in Lincoln, Nebraska. He was educated in the public schools graduating from Lincoln High School in 1960. He attended Nebraska Wesleyan University and is now employed by Wadlow's Mortuary as an Associate. He has been associated with Wadlow's for the past 17 years.

Ralph was initiated into Lincoln Lodge in February 1972 and was appointed Inner Guard in December 1972 by PER Jack Goodwin. Ralph progressed thru all of the chairs and during this time has served on many committees including Membership, Youth Activities Chairman, City Wide Christmas Party, Hoop Shoot, Teenager of the Month and this past year as a member of The House Committee.

Ralph and his lovely wife Donna, Married in Lincoln in 1965 are the proud parents of one son Larry L., age 18, a Junior in Lincoln High School.

Active in many community affairs, Ralph is a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church and currently serves on the administrative board. Other memberships and activities include: Craftsman Lodge #314 AF & AM, Scottish Rite (Director of Ninth Degree) Sesostriis Temple of the Shrine, Shrine Railroad Semi Annual Club, Hiram Club, Temple Chapter #271 Order of Eastern Star, American Legion Post #3, Lincoln University Club, Welfare Society, Citizens Advisory Group for Street Planning City of Lincoln, Travelers Protective Association, Past President American Forward Association (currently serving 12th term as President), Past President and member of Board of Directors American Historical Society of Germans from Russia Lincoln Chapter #1, Member International Board of Directors and International Treasurer American Historical Society of Germans From Russia, Board of Directors Lincoln Community Concert Association, Former member and Vice Chairman Lincoln Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Lionel Collectors Club of America.

Donna and Ralph look forward to seeing you at the installation ceremonies.



# EXALTED RULER'S MESSAGE

By Larry Pickering

My year as Exalted Ruler has now come to a close, and I must say it has been a most challenging year.

My seven years in Lodge and Ritual work has been very gratifying and interesting to me. I hope that some day an officer can devote all of his time to Lodge work only.

To the House Committee and all Committeemen, Board of Trustees, and all fellow officers, THANK YOU for all your help this past year.

A special THANKS to the Does Drive #4 for their assistance and their most gracious contribution to our Lodge.

Good Luck to Ralph Giebelhaus and his officers for the coming year.

*Larry Pickering*

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Tabith--Jake Heidenreich  
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Born: Oct. 23, 1895  
Init: May 3, 1950  
Died: Mar. 5, 1978

Carl Luhrs  
Born: Oct. 17, 1912  
Init: Sep. 17, 1958  
Died: Mar. 11, 1978

Ralph Wall  
Born: Jun. 25, 1908  
Init: Oct. 16, 1968  
Died: Mar. 4, 1978

Leonard Krenk  
Born: Mar. 22, 1906  
Init: May 15, 1946  
Died: Jan. 20, 1978

### ELK-O-GRAM

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131 Centennial Mall North  
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### ELECTIVE OFFICERS

Larry Pickering ..... Exalted Ruler  
Ralph L. Giebelhaus ..... Esteemed Leading Knight  
Donald Andersen ..... Esteemed Loyal Knight  
Charles Kruse ..... Esteemed Lecturing Knight  
William Woltemade ..... Secretary  
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### APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

Bob Clinkenbeard ..... Esquire  
Glenn Tyrrel ..... Chaplain  
Stanley Capps ..... Organist  
Jim Pattavina ..... Inner Guard

### HOUSE COMMITTEE

Reinhold Wilhelm, Chairman  
Donald Andersen ..... William Haberlan  
Bill Franklin ..... Charles Kruse  
Ralph L. Giebelhaus ..... Jim McKinney

### ELK-O-GRAM STAFF

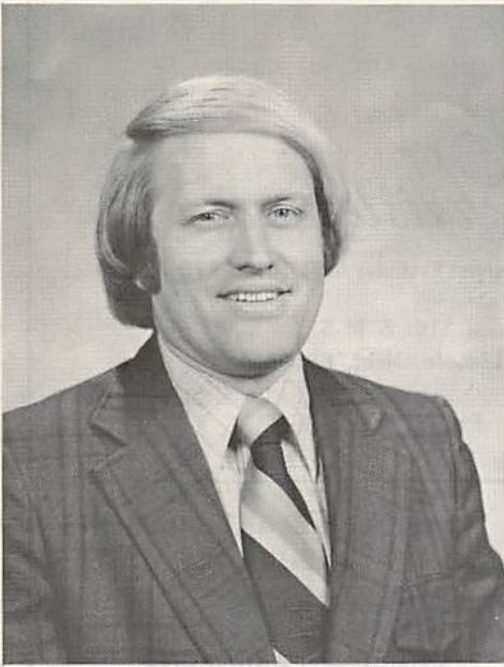
Roger Van Horn ..... Editor  
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MCKINNEY TO HEAD HOUSE COMMITTEE

Exalted Ruler Ralph L. Giebelhaus has announced the following individuals to serve on the House Committee for the fraternal 1978-1979.

James McKinney, Chairman  
Don Andersen  
Charles Kruse  
Glen Tyrrel  
William Woltemade  
Charles Meisinger  
William Franklin  
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Happy Birthday-Brothers having birthdays in April are invited to the Lodge any time in April during normal hours for one free drink. Congrats!!!



Exalted Ruler Ralph L. Giebelhaus is pleased to announce the appointment of Brother Michael L. Merwick to the Office of Esquire for the fraternal year 1978-1979. Mike was born June 16, 1942 in Atchinson, Kansas. Mike graduated from Lincoln Pius High School in 1960 and also attended the University of Nebraska.

Mike currently is employed as Administrative Assistant to Mayor Heln Boosalis.

Civic, Fraternal, Religious activities include: Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, YMCA, Lincoln Action Program, Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Chairman Health Forum, Member Task Force City County Emergency Medical Services, Little Chiefs Baseball, National Fire Protection Assn., Young Republicans, Legislative Lobbist City of Lincoln, Meet Director & Coordinator Annual Junior Olympics Track & Field Qualifying Meet, and many others.

Mike and his lovely wife, Suzanne reside at 1014 Eldon Drive and have 3 children, Michael, Michelle, Molly and a foster Son Charles Stoeckle.

Let's welcome Mike into the officers ranks as the ER is happy to have a gentleman like Mike begin the progression thru the Chairs of our Lodge.

**NOTICES:**

The Club will be open for food service on April 5, 1978 before the Installation of Officers (5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.). Come and join us on this special night.

INFORMAL INAUGURAL BALL--Greg Spivak will be playing at the Club on April 8, 1978 for the informal Inaugural Ball. Come down for dinner and dancing and meet the new officers.

**PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN ELKS 80**

To be balloted on April 5, 1978  
(Subject to Approval of Investigating Committee)

By transfer:

Name: Francis J. Schroeder  
Occupation: A.C. Nielson Manager  
Proposer: William Woltemade

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Congratulations and good luck to all new officers. We are behind you.

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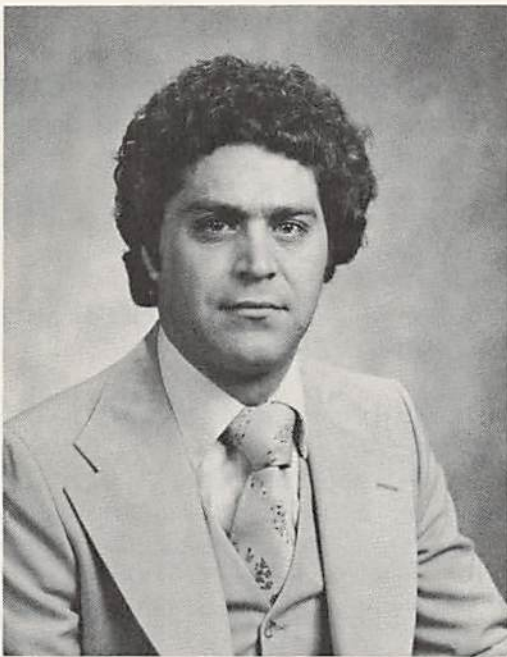
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Exalted Ruler Ralph L. Giebelhaus, is pleased to announce the appointment of Brother Ronald L. Colin to the office of Chaplain for the fraternal year 1978-1979.

Brother Ron was born in Lincoln, Nebraska on January 25, 1947. He was educated in the Lincoln School system graduating from Lincoln Southeast in 1965. He also attended the UNL, graduating in 1969 with a B.S. in Business Administration. Ron is currently President of Colin Industries Inc., and Vice President of Colin Electric Motor Service Inc.

Civic, Business and Fraternal organizations include: Westminister Presbyterian Church, Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, Sesostris Temple Shrine, VFW, American Legion, Nebraska Club, Lincoln Country Club, Lincoln Jaycees, Vice President Youth Services System Lincoln/Lancaster County, Director Lancaster Freeway Station, Advisor Junior Achievement, Nebraska Foundation Board, Life Member UN Alumni Assn., YMCA, Director Lincoln Action Program, and many others.

Ron and his wife Barbara are the proud parents of 2 children; Scott, age 11, and Angie, age 7. The Colins' reside at 6007 So. 25th St.

Let's welcome Ron into the officers rank. ER Ralph feels fortunate to have such a fine man start through the Chairs.

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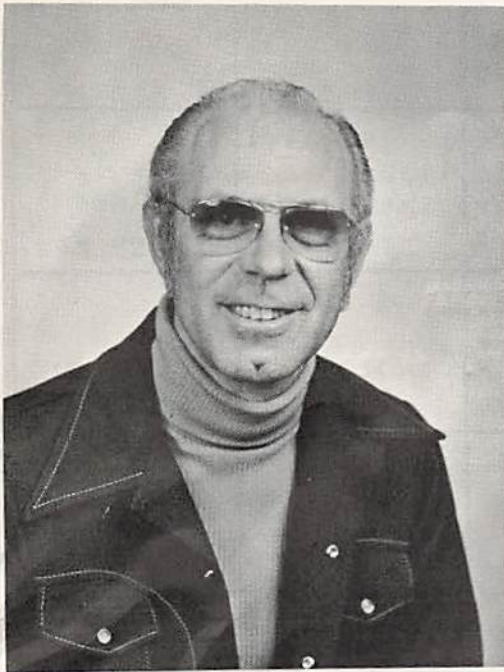
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Exalted Ruler Ralph Giebelhaus is pleased to announce the appointment of James Rakers to the office of Inner Guard for the fraternal year 1978-1979.

Jim was born April 17, 1934 in New York and moved to Lincoln in 1958.

Jim graduated from UNL receiving his Bachelors Degree in Science in 1963 and his Masters Degree in Administration in 1965.

Jim served in the United States Air Force for 4 1/2 years as a pilot and in the Army National Guard for 4 1/2 years. He holds a commercial pilot's license.

Jim is Assistant Principal for Student Services at Lincoln East High School and also is President and Business Manager for Water Chem Inc.

Activities include: President of Rokeby School Board, President of Youth Service System Board of Directors, Member Lincoln Lancaster County Mental Health Center Advisory Board, Chairman Elks Lodge #80 Youth Day Committee, Member of Elks Most Valuable Student State Judging Team, University Flying Club, and PDK.

ER Giebelhaus is pleased to announce this appointment and is confident that Jim will do a great job for #80 as he begins the progression through the Chairs.

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16 C H O	17	18 Indoctrin- ation 7:00 p.m.	19 LODGE NIGHT-\$2.00 soup & sandwiches	20	21	22 Duane Schulz Combo
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March Door Prizes--At our March 1, 1978 meeting door prizes were awarded as follows; \$5 each to George Deffenbach, Don Gossard, Gay Blanc and Robert Sindlar. Fritz Blatt's name was drawn from the golden cylinder-however, he was not present. At our March 15, 1978 meeting door prizes were awarded as follows: \$5 each to Jim Pattavina, Don Andersen and John Zimmer III. Ken Timmerman's name was drawn from the golden cylinder-however, he was not present.

ELKS BOWLING LEAGUE READY!--Eight regular teams and two make-up teams are going to Davenport, Iowa to bowl in the Elks Midwest National Bowling Tournament April 1 & 2--everyone is ready for a good time! The tournament will be at Plaza North, 2902 East Kimberly Rd, Davenport, Iowa.

We only had one team go to the State Bowling Tournament in North Platte last month. Although the team (House of Lettering) did not place high enough to be "in the money", two of its members, Steve Blomgren and Austin Goth had a score of 1229 in the Doubles Event which put them in 19th place.

As for the regular weekly league, the standings as of the end of February were as follows:

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HIGH INDIVIDUAL--SERIES

Alva White (665)

Ken Williamson (624)

Williamson-Wanek (617) Tie

HIGH INDIVIDUAL--SINGLE GAME

John Sexton (247)

Alva White (245)

Gus Giesick (242)

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DUES ARE DUE--Our statutes state that dues are to be paid in advance. So, if you do not have a 1978-1979 card, you are delinquent, and an unpaid member is not only a detriment to the Lodge, but also, it is certainly of NO value to him. We value your membership. Please help-Mail in Dues.

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