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Home of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Vincent R. Collura & Past Grand Exalted Ruler George B. Klein

**Elks Drug Awareness
is coming to Boo at the Zoo!**

by Amy Jacobsen

Elks Lodge #80 is taking part in Boo at the Zoo. Boo at the Zoo is a fund raiser for the Lincoln Children's Zoo and runs for five nights prior to Halloween. Volunteers are needed to dress in costumes and pass out candy and Drug Awareness coloring books to Lincoln children.

Over 10,000 kids attend Boo at the Zoo. This is a great new opportunity to distribute Drug Awareness information. It will also be lots of fun. Search through your closet for the that scary costume that goes unused every year. See the October EOG for more details. Call Amy Jacobsen at 483-6111 if you want to be a part of the excitement!

ELKS MIDGET FOOTBALL

by Scott Schrage

August marks the start of the 2008 Elks midget Football season, with the equipment check-out and the first practice of the year complete. The Elks Midget Football program has 160 youths this year supporting eight teams.

The season starts on Sunday, August 31st, and will run through October 12th. All games are at the Midget Football Complex at 2nd & South Streets, (next to Sherman Field). Football games start at noon and run all day on Sundays. SEE SCHEDULE ON PAGE 4.

If you can, come out and support these young athletes as they represent Elks Lodge #80 this season.

UPCOMING DINNER:

Ulbrick's Family Style Dinner

Famous Landmark from
Nebraska City, NE

Friday, September 19

5:30 p.m. Cocktails

6:30 p.m. Dinner

Cost: \$10

Fried Chicken, cream cabbage, mash potato, chicken & noodle, lettuce salad and side salads, country style green beans, rolls and butter and apple pie ala mode.

(For ticket details contact Harold Harpster 327-7148.)

**NEXT DINNER: Friday, October 24
October Fest**

NOTES FROM THE EDITORS:

**Remember the 18th of September
is the EOG article deadline.**

Let's work together to get our EOG out on time!

Email your news, photos, or articles to
EOG.Lodge80@gmail.com or
contact Randy @ 402-450-0978 or
Aimée @ 402-570-3253.

Thank you to our volunteers for helping fold the
Elk O Grams for the August mailing.

The Faults of our Members, we write upon the sand - Their Virtues upon the tablets of Love and Memory



Elk's Lodge No. 80 Officers 2008-2009

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Sam R. Carter | |

September starts a busy time at the lodge with Patriotism week moved to the second week of September to coincide with Sept 11th, the soccer program will start, the American Essay contest "What Freedom Means To Me", and Cornhusker Football where we assist the DOES Dove No. 4 with six helpers every game. This year there are eight home games so if you can help, call me at 489-1039. Also, Elks Midget Football is in progress with about 160 playing this year. We will post the game times at the Lodge so you can attend their games.

We initiated three new members at our last meeting and should have five plus this month to initiate. If you know of someone that would like to join us or would like information about who we are and what we do call the lodge with their name and we will contact them. With all the Baby Boomers retiring over the next several years, I am sure some of them want to give back to their community and support our efforts.

Fraternally,
Terry Edwards, Exalted Ruler

EXALTED RULER...

Dear Elks and DOES:

WOW! WOW! Those are the words I kept hearing as we re-opened the Lodge after the remodeling was complete. Again thanks to all those that donated their time and money to make this happen. Truly our slogan "ELKS CARE-ELKS SHARE" applies in this case to our own members who realized we needed to remodel the lounge area and repaint the Lodge room. We can all take pride in how our Lodge looks thanks to their efforts



As I have mentioned at our dinners, our kitchen is in dire need of new appliances. We will soon be asking for everyone's help with donations to replace the old appliances, enabling our volunteer cooks to do their culinary best for our dinners and lunches.

Vivian and I would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to represent Lodge #80 at the Grand Lodge Convention we attended in July. What a great experience to meet and visit with not only Elk members from Nebraska but from other states and develop friendships and learn what their Lodges are doing.

In this edition is a message from our new Grand Exalted Ruler, Paul D. Helsel. What an experience to witness the instillation and ceremony. Also it was great to visit with our own member, Jack Jensen, Grand Secretary. This was Jack's last convention as Grand Secretary as he is retiring and moving back to Nebraska at some point. Thanks Jack for all you have done for Elkdom during your tenure. We are proud of your accomplishments and honored to have you as a member of our Lodge.

SECRETARY'S CORNER...

Can you believe it is September already, before you realize, it will be time to start shopping for Christmas! September is also an important time for the Lodge, as we resume our normal meeting schedule and we continue to go about business as usual. I trust you all had a wonderful summer and hopefully you enjoyed some good vacation time.



For those who have not been in the Lodge lately, you will notice a major change in the Lounge area, painting of the Lodge room and bathrooms, and new ceiling tiles. A considerable portion of this rework of the building was completed by the volunteer effort of some of our Lodge members. A big thank you to all! The Lodge and Lounge are back in full swing, with daily lunches being served and Lodge meetings the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month; basically, "business as usual".

With regard to my business as usual comment; delinquent dues notices were sent out July 24, 2008. Thank you to those who have made their payment. A list of those who have not yet paid is published in this month's Elk-O-Gram. I understand how things



get misplaced or forgotten; worse yet I, apologize if your name is published in error (I do make mistakes), or if the payment and Elk-O-Gram cross each others path in the mail, I hope you will understand. Please call the office so we can correct our mistake. There is also an effort underway to contact those who have not paid; please remember "Dues are a Best Value", only \$7 per month (\$85 annually).

My goal is still the same, "to be the best, and I can only do that with your help", please if you have any questions or comments of how I can better serve you, please contact me.

My phone number is 402-570-2555 and my email is secylodge80@yahoo.com. See you all around the lodge.

Sincerely,
Jerry Wilson, Secretary



On the third Wednesday of the month, we will be celebrating this month's birthdays following the Lodge meeting. So come join us for a birthday treat!

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|----|------------------------|----|------------------|
| 3 | Wayne Ruliffson | 18 | Merl Hesser |
| 4 | Doug Rienks | 19 | Paul Douglas |
| 5 | James Gordon | 20 | Shawn Rand |
| | Ronald Wachter | 22 | James Chestney |
| 6 | John Hoppe, Jr. | | Scott Jurgens |
| 7 | Gary Pohlmann | 23 | David Harrison |
| | Dr. Kazimirs Stivrins | | John McGreer III |
| 12 | Jerome McCabe | | Larry Schwindt |
| | P.E.R. Larry Pickering | 25 | Marlin Kelley |
| 13 | Richard Logan | 27 | Jack Irwin |
| 16 | Jerry Weber | 30 | Lon Hoppel |
| 17 | Rolland Dudley | | |

LODGE FACTS

written by Harold Harpster, P.E.R.

The subject of this month's article is "Lodge Meetings". The regular meetings of Lincoln Lodge #80 are held on the first and third Wednesday evening in each month throughout the year, except that in the months of July, August, and December, meetings of the Lodge shall be held on the third Wednesday in July and August, and the first Wednesday in December. All items in the "Order of Business", as contained in the Lodge By-Laws, must be used at all regular scheduled meetings.

Special meetings may be called by the Exalted Ruler upon three days' notice to all Members of the Lodge. The notice shall state the special business to be considered, and no other business shall be considered or transacted. At special meetings, the Lodge opening, roll call of Officers, and the closing must be used, plus the appropriate Order of Business to cover the purpose of the special meeting. Balloting on candidates, propositions for membership, and reports of committees on applications can only take place at a regular Lodge meeting. No Lodge meeting shall be held outside the jurisdiction of the Lodge, without prior written consent of the Grand Exalted Ruler.

It must be remembered that regular scheduled,

and special meetings are for the purpose of conducting official Lodge business. All transactions must be approved by the membership attending the regular or special Lodge meeting.

FACT. During the past year, the membership attendance at the Lincoln Lodge #80 meetings has averaged about 8% of the total membership. This means that approximately 10 regular Lodge members, plus the Officers (15) attended the meetings. At times, even some of the Officers failed to attend.

Those attending approved all expenditures, the budget, improvements to the Lounge Room and the overall operations and commitments of the Lodge. If you are a concerned and unhappy paid-up member, the only official way to express yourself is to attend the Lodge meetings. Complaining while sitting at the bar or playing cards will not change anything. You must remember that all actions taken at Lodge meetings are subject to the will of the members set forth in proper resolution. Come on, step up and become an active member, and help Lincoln Lodge #80 become the place to be seen at, and the meeting place of active American Ladies and Gentlemen.



Photos above were taken on July 8th at the Youth Golf "Elks Pitch and Putt Contest"

LINCOLN MIDGET FOOTBALL SCHEDULE
Runza Sports Complex
(2nd & South Streets)

		Team A	Team B	Team C
Week 1	8/31	3:30 PM vs. Union Bank	4:45 PM vs. Union Bank	1:00 PM vs. Union Bank
Week 2	9/7	4:45 PM vs. Firefighters	1:00 PM vs. Firefighters	2:15 PM vs. Firefighters
Week 3	9/14	4:45 PM vs. Runza	1:00 PM vs. Runza	2:15 PM vs. Runza
Week 4	9/21	1:00 PM vs. Leon's Food	2:15 PM vs. Leon's Food	3:30 PM vs. Leon's Food
Week 5	9/28	1:00 PM vs. Police	2:15 PM vs. Police	3:30 PM vs. Police
Week 6	10/5	3:30 PM vs. Assurity Life	4:45 PM vs. Assurity Life	1:00 PM vs. Assurity Life
Week 7	10/12	2:15 PM vs. Executive Club	3:30 PM vs. Executive Club	4:45 PM vs. Executive Club
Rainout 1	10/19	Dates only used if needed.		
Rainout 2	10/26			





FROM THE VETERAN COMMITTEE

Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler
Paul D. Hesel

“Time to get down to growing Elkdom”

To all district deputies, exalted rulers, officers and members:

Thank You one and all for electing me as your Grand Exalted Ruler. It is an honor and a privilege to serve you and our Order in this high capacity, and I pledge that Jane and I will do our utmost to promote the great works of our Order wherever our travels take us.

As I spelled out in Anaheim, my there for the year is “Elks - Growing Elkdom and Strengthening America” Well, the National Convention is now over and it is time to get to the work at hand. Hopefully, you are as enthusiastic as I am after that most inspiring week in Anaheim, and are already busy “Growing Elkdom”. Looking at the calendar, only eight months remain in this Lodge year to “get ‘er done”!

Where does your lodge stand relative to membership growth and/or retention? Are you attracting new members? Do you have an action plan in place to build and improve the relationship between the members and the lodge? Is it working and making them feel welcome, wanted, and needed? If you can answer yes to the last three questions, you are well on your way to showing a gain in membership and *Growing Your Lodge and Elkdom*. If any answer is “no”, you have some work to do and need to “get to it”.

By now your work with our programs should be well under way. You should be close or even past the \$4.50 per capita goal for ENF donations. The Hoop Shoot and Soccer Shoot dates should be set and plans in motion, as should be the case with all the other youth programs. Your service work with the veterans and others in your community should be occurring routinely. You should be well on your way to a very successful lodge year with many positive things to report with each passing day.

Best wishes to you and your lodge for the remainder of this lodge year. Jane and I look forward to visiting each of your states and learning firsthand how you are working to grow Elkdom and demonstrate that. **“Elks Care-Elks Share”**

Veterans Committee Chairman Vi Berst and member Sam Carter visited WWII veteran Leo Jeambey at Lancaster Manor on his 85th birthday. He was presented



with a birthday card, which included a \$2 bill.

Mr. Jeambey was shot down over German 65 years ago. Seven of his nine fellow crewmates died that day, and Jeambey spent the rest of the war as a prisoner.

Vi and Sam spent about an hour with Mr. Jeambey and his wife at the manor. He and his wife were very pleased with the Elk’s visit. He said it was great to be remembered and thanked us for the visit.

NEW COPIERS FOR THE LODGE

by Steve Wirth

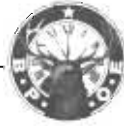
This picture has two copiers and Lincoln Elks Lodge No. 80 is now the proud owner of the one on the right. It is a SAVIN 2527. It has the ability to copy, scan, fax and print. This machine also has stapling capabilities. Thanks to the following individuals for their generous donations toward the purchase of this much needed piece of equipment.

Wesley Durst, PER; Sonny Lane, PER; Richard Todd, PER; Jerry Wilson, Lodge Secretary; Stephen Wirth, PER

Thanks to Jason Jirsa, (Copy Machine Tech for the Lodge) and Jeff Sneller, PER, and current Lecturing Knight, for providing supervision and transportation for moving the item.



Finally, a big Thank-You to Diane Forst of the Human Resource Dept. at General Dynamics, Advance Technical Products, Lincoln Operations for making this machine and many other items available during their silent auction.



OUR MEMBERS...

Deaths:

- P.E.R. *Charles Kruse*, died 8/6/2008

Sickness and Distress:

- Randy King recovering from a heart attack, but back at work;
- Jim Chestney recovering from cancer treatment;
- Dale Hansen recovering from by-pass surgery;
- Vi Berst having heart problems, and is scheduled to have a pace maker.

Published for Membership:

- Darrell B & Jennifer Hurt, proposed by Amy Jacobsen
- Kevin Hurt, proposed by Amy Jacobsen
- David Wesemann, proposed by Amy Jacobsen
- Steve Arens, proposed by Amy Jacobsen
- Karla Ostrander, proposed by Amy Jacobsen
- Elton Bradd, proposed by Ken Tenhulzen
- Paul Pocock, proposed by Gary Weber
- Michael Bruhn, proposed by Steve Massey
- Leon Bruhn, proposed by Steve Massey
- Robert Sindlar, transfer from Lodge 559 in Vallejo, CA
- Maureen Hannon, proposed by Amy Jacobsen
- Martin Fehringer, proposed by Larry Bratt

Members Initiated - August:

- Karen Walker, proposed by John Brooks
- Carrie Fiedler, proposed by John Brooks
- Regan Hubbard, proposed by Bob Clinkenbeard

Membership Drawing: *You have to attend the meetings to win! IT PAYS TO COME TO MEETINGS.*

- **08/20:** meeting was at \$299. *Tim Cox* was the name drawn, he was not present to win.

August's hidden membership number was member, *Jerome McCabe*, 15581.

Remember to find your hidden number? Call the Lodge Office and get two free tickets to the next dinner event!

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NOW FOR THE QUICKIES...

- Our Lodge room converts easily into a lovely reception area and can be decorated most attractively for smaller weddings. Call the office for more details.
- Used cooking oil can be recycled at the Lodge by bringing it to the Lounge. By Health Code Regulations, the Lodge must have a separate grease disposal system. This is an annual fee, which is reduced if we provide enough used oil for recycling. **Save your grease and old frying oil and help our Elks Lodge and the environment.**
- **Jim Chestney** is recovering from treatments for cancer, be sure to wish him well when you see him...your Editor (**Randy King**) is recovering from a Heart Attack July 22nd, the prognosis is good....**Dale Hansen** is recovering from double-bypass surgery and is on the mend....**Vi Berst** is having heart problems and is scheduled for a pace maker.
- Another bowling league has merged with the Elks bowling league, increasing membership from four teams to eight. They will rotate one month at Hollywood Bowl, No 48th Street, and Parkway Lanes, So 48th Street. Call Duane Vanderbeek, Larry Schwindt or Larry Bratt if you want to bowl with the team. They meet Tuesday nights at 9 pm. The Elks League is the longest running continuous league in the City.
- We need help for Football Concession Stands, 6 volunteers for the 8 home games. Call Terry Edwards if interested. It's a fun way to see old friends and meet new people, help earn money for the Lodge, enjoy the excitement of a Nebraska Football game, and spend a Saturday.
- District Deputy will be visiting our Lodge October 15th.
- The new Grand Exalted Ruler Paul Hesel will be visiting our Fall Conference in North Platte....Patriotism week has been moved to the second week in September to coincide with the anniversary of 9-11.
- Thank You's were read from Hillcrest Country Club for our sponsorship of the junior golf tournament...several more were read from recipients of Scholarship monies.
- Did you see the nice article on Vi Berst and



Sam Carter in last Sunday's paper? Kudo's to them on the fine work they do on behalf of our Veterans and representing our Lodge. Aren't you glad they are Elks?

- It is with a sad heart we note the passing of P.E.R. Charlie Kruse. He was energetic and meticulous about everything he did, and it was done with passion. A life truly, fully lived. He will certainly be missed.
- Shirts are available for purchase, these are nice Polo's with our Elk Logo embroidered on one side, "Elks Lodge #80" embroidered on the other. See John Brooks, or come to the next meeting or dinner where they will be on display. What a great way to show unity for our Lodge.
- The decision was made to move the cash calendar up to December, sales will begin in October. Remember, these make great gifts, and are a valuable way to support our Lodge.
- Sonny Lane reports that this years Americanism Theme is "What Freedom Means to Me." This ought to inspire some thought provoking essays from the youth.
- Sam Carter won the raffle for \$20, and Tim Cox's name was drawn but didn't win the membership drawing of \$299. You have to come to meetings to win, folks, please attend...get involved...it's your Lodge.
- We initiated three new members, **Regan Hubbard, Carrie Fiedler, and Karen Walker**, thanks to John Brooks and Bob Clinkenbeard. Way to go guys,



promoting our Lodge and soliciting new members, something we all need to do. And all they did was ask the person if they wanted to be an Elk....made it look easy...c'mon, fellow Elks, you can do it too. We have 6 new members being proposed by Amy Jacobsen, 2 more by Steve Massey, and one each by Ken Tenhulzen, Gary Weber, and Larry Bratt..HATS OFF to the these fellow Elks who want to promote our Lodge as a great place to be.

- Some ideas presented to the House Committee were anti-fatigue mats for behind the bar, an additional buzzer to let members into the Lounge, and some protective coverings for the walls of the Lodge Room to reduce scuffs....please remember that ONLY employees are allowed behind the bar, and we cannot "cut through the bar and kitchen to get out the side door" anymore. Not much of a shortcut anyway, when you think about it.
- Mark your calendars for Oct 11th, 10 am—2 pm for the Soccer Shoot, Wright Park field #1. We need 15 or so volunteers, call Doug Rienks or Terry Edwards to help. This is a great way to spend a few hours promoting our Lodge, and we can head to the Lounge to enjoy a cold one afterwards.
- Our Lounge looks great thanks to the vision and leadership of P.E.R. Harold Harpster, and the generosity of several Elks with their time and money...Rumor has it we have our sights set on a new Kitchen. Be looking for upcoming news on that in the Elk-O-Gram.

DELINQUENT MEMBERS

Names are in alphabetic order.

Please remember to pay your dues to keep our Lodge going strong and if anything share so that we can show others we care.

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| 1. Akin, Betty | 20. Miller, Stephen |
| 2. Allen, Merril | 21. Moss, Margaret |
| 3. Baruth, James | 22. Murphy, Ronald |
| 4. Bengtson, Dr. John | 23. Novak, Stanley |
| 5. Bergholz, Brianna | 24. Petersen, Neil |
| 6. Borgmann, Dean | 25. Pickering, Rodger |
| 7. Chilsted, Teanna | 26. Pollack, Sanford |
| 8. Driskell, Damon | 27. Reineke, Gary |
| 9. Fitzsimmons, Richard | 28. Russell, Jack |
| 10. Hansen, Greg | 29. Selvage, Joe |
| 11. Hoy, Roger | 30. Stephenson, John |
| 12. Huenink, Jason | 31. Thomas, Roxanne |
| 13. Jirsa, Jason | 32. Treu, Jeff |
| 14. Jurgens, Scott | 33. Vanderford, Christine |
| 15. Kerns, Todd | 34. Weber, Wayne |
| 16. Leach, Steve | 35. Weers, John |
| 17. Lebsack, Gayle | 36. Wellman, Kenneth |
| 18. Martin, Darrell | |
| 19. Maser, Kenneth | |



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 1: **LABOR DAY**
- September 3: **Board of Trustees, 6:30 pm**
Lodge Meeting, 7:30 pm
- September 9: Room Rented, 10:00 am
Beer & Burger, 5:30 pm
American Legion, 7:00 pm
- September 11: VFW, 7:00 pm
- September 13: Room Rented, 5:00 pm
- September 16: American Legion, 7:00 pm
- September 17: **Lodge Meeting, 7:30 pm**
- September 18: American Legion, 7:00 pm
- September 19: **Ulbrick's Family Style Dinner**
- September 20: **Soccer Shoot**
Room Rented, 5:00 pm
- September 23: **Beer & Burger, 5:30 pm**

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A friendly reminder to you and our guests who visit our Lodge Room: Please remove your hats (including ball caps) during meetings and dinners.



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