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

5th ANNUAL Scholarship PANCAKE FEED

Sunday, January 31st, 2010 8:00am - 2:00pm

At the Lodge, 5910 S. 58th

\$5.00 Adults \$2.50(6-12) Free(0-5)

ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES

w/ syrup, sausage, juice, milk, coffee, w/ assorted toppings i.e. apple, blueberry, cherry



We're bringing the griddle out once again for our 5th Annual Lincoln Lodge #80 Charitable Fund, Inc Scholarship Pancake Feed. The griddle will be turning with fresh hot cakes coming off every revolution. Merle Hesser and his merry flippers will have the surface temperature just right to ensure a golden brown cake each and every time.

The money raised from the Pancake Feed helps support the following scholarships which are administered by the Charitable Fund, Inc. board.

Rob Armagost - Vincent Collura - Gerry Crouch - Alex "Bud" Dietrich - BPOE Does Drove #4 - Joanne Durst
Dr. Wesley Durst - Elk's #80 Bowling League - Lee Erisman - James Gray - Maude Hollingshead - Dan Holmstedt
Jack M. Jensen (Boy) - Jack M. Jensen (Girl) - Victor Meisinger - Grace Metcalf - Grayden Rathbun - Glen Tyrrel

In addition, the Lodge funds six Most Valuable Student Scholarships and also the Paulding & Esther Smith Scholarships. There are four scholarships given in their honor with each one of them awarded to a child or grandchild of a current Elks Lodge #80 member.

For advance tickets, you may call the Lodge at 421-6363 during business hours. In addition, tickets may be purchased from any Lodge Officer or at the door the day of the event.

Our very own Lincoln Does Drove #4 will hold another bake sale in conjunction with this event. One of the ladies made a special coconut frosted cake which one lucky buyer beat me to last year. I hope to see another one of those cakes as well as all the other yummy and "nutritious" items again this year! This bake sale is an excellent fund raiser for the Drove and the proceeds are used to do many wonderful things, locally.



Stephen F. Wirth PER, Chairman Richard R. Todd PER Aide To The Chair

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



Grand Exalted Ruler James L. Nicholson

Messages from the GER
GL Newsletter, January 2010

**To All District Deputies,
Exalted Rulers, Officers
and members**

So much of what we do as Elks can be viewed as family-oriented. Hoop-Shoot, Drug Awareness activities, Americanism Essay Contest, Soccer Shoot, Mother's Day observances, Antlers and much, much more, should bring families together and to the Lodge. However, if your Lodge is not emphasizing these programs, you may be missing the boat.

Family-oriented is where we want to be. Mom and Dad both work and both want to spend what available time they have with their family. Add to that concerns about the economy, and you can see why young families may not be active in the local Elks Lodge. We must meet them where they are.

From a pragmatic standpoint, we must be mindful of the many demands upon the time and resources of young families, and plan our Lodge activities accordingly. Underlying all of this is the fact young families must be a primary focus of our membership efforts.

Luckily, we are family-oriented as an Order. We have youth and family programs in place that are high-quality and nationally recognized. Assess your Lodge's participation in the programs mentioned above. Gear more of your activities to those that young parents seek for their families.

Elks Care - Elks Share



Exalted Ruler John W. Brooks

Dear Elks and Does:

Happy New Year to all and best wishes in the year 2010 from all the Officers of your Lodge!

I thank everyone who donated their time and money to help with all our Elk's projects this past year. You make our Lodge, Community and the World a better place!

Congratulations to Chuck Meisinger and his volunteers for distributing all the thesauruses and dictionaries to the Lincoln Elementary Schools. I volunteered two days for this project and was impressed on how well it is received by the Students, Teachers and Administrators. What a great Elk's Project!

The 102nd Annual Children's Christmas Party was a success. Over a thousand people attended. **A special thanks to Sonny Lane PER for collecting over 200 gifts that were distributed the day of the Christmas Party.** Thanks to all the volunteers that made the Children's Christmas Party a Success!

January will be a busy month. Doug Reinks will be holding the hoop shoot, the Elk's Bowling League will host a prime-rib dinner. The 5th annual Scholarship Pancake Feed will be held on January 31st. Some Lodge Officers will be attending a District Deputy Clinic in Falls City.

I hope you are as proud as I am to belong to such a wonderful organization with wonderful and generous members. I look forward to a wonderful 2010!

Fraternally yours,
John W. Brooks, Exalted Ruler



Children's Christmas Party

Here are a few photos of our Children's Christmas Party on December 13, 2009. Thanks!



DOES News

The Does will have two meetings this month. January 11th, 5:30 Practice, 7:00 Meeting. Initiation of new members will occur on this date. January 18th, 5:30 Practice, 7:00 Meeting. At this time, Officers for the 2010 year will be installed and refreshments will follow the meeting.

2010 Officers Does #4 Appointive Officers 2010

President: Marjorie Wyant

Color Bearers: Marg Hanson

Treasurer: Wauneta Peterson and Jerri Simmons

Chaplain: Wilma Chestnut and Kelli Smith

Conductor: B.J. Dennis

Attendants: Donna Bryan

Secretary: Dorothy Ann Haar and Margaret Allington

Junior Counselor: Cheryl Pope and Kay White

First Counselor: Jody Schrage and Louise Koehrsen

Senior Counselor: Vicky Logan

Alternate Delegate to grand Lodge: Wauneta Peterson

Deputy Supreme President: Barb Barnes

Again this year, the Does will be having a bake sale along with the Elks 5th Annual Pancake Feed on January 31st from 8:00AM - 2:00PM. Baked items are needed. Please call 423-5939 if items need to be picked up.

Thesauruses and Dictionaries

We received several letters thanking us for the Dictionaries and Thesauruses distributed to the school children. Thank you to the efforts of Chuck Meisinger PER/PDD/PSP, Rich Todd PER, Stephen Wirth PER, Diane Walchoviak, John Brooks ER and others.





**Secretary
Jerry Wilson**

Secretary's Corner

Happy New Year to all! We all can be proud of our last year and what we have accomplished and learned. I am looking forward to what we have ahead of us and the many things we can achieve. As Elks, our New Year starts on April 1st, and prior to that we will be electing new officers, and getting ready for the annual (April) state conference. If you are interested in being an officer, now is the time! Also, the Elks Lodge New Year will begin the task of renewing your membership with the payment of your annual dues. Statements will be mailed out in February.

Unfortunately, in January we will be in the process of dropping those members who did not pay their 2009-2010 dues, as they are 9 months in arrears. If you do not have a membership card reflecting those dates, or if you have received a 2nd notice statement during the past few months, mail in your payment or contact the office if you feel there is an error. Those members who are delinquent are published elsewhere in the Elk-O-Gram.

As always; my goal remains the same "to be the best", and I can only do that with your help. If you have any questions or comments on how I can better serve you, please contact me. Reach me at 570-2555 or lodge80secy@yahoo.com. See you all around the lodge this New Year!

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Happy Birthday in January



- 01 Thomas H. Lynch
- 04 Michael Bruhn
Charles Thone
- 05 Watson Brower, III
- 06 Betty J. Akin
John W. Brooks ER
Roger White
- 08 Roxanne Thomas
- 09 Jason C. Brooks
Leo Hill
- 10 Gene M. Obrecht
- 13 John E. Baker
Willis K. Harding PER
M.E. Whitehead
- 15 Tom Pallas PER
- 16 John Lemke
- 17 Clarence C. Knosp
- 18 Sanford H. Nelson
Charles T. Steenson
- 19 Terry L. Edwards PER
- 20 Robert H. Taylor
- 21 Dean Borgmann
James M. Gray
- 22 John H. Robel Jr.
- 24 Bob Clinkenbeard PER/PDD/PS
Terry L. Hagan 8408
- 25 Ronald L. Colin PER
- 26 Larry Benac
Harry J. Blum
- 28 Raymond G. Plotts
- 31 Glen Riensche
Paige Zutavern



Prime Rib Dinner

Sponsored by the Elk's Bowling League

Saturday, January 16th Cocktails 5:30 Dinner 6:30



Prime Rib, Baked Potato, Vegetable, Roll, Salad & Dessert **\$12.00**

RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED: Lodge 421-6363

SUPER BOWL XLIV PARTY



Sunday, February 7, 2010



Lodge will open @3:00pm Game is at 6:00pm

Big Screen Projection TV

Menu: Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Hot Dogs, Sloppy Joes & Snacks

Free Will Donation!

RSVP Sonny Lane: sonny.lane@fbfs.com 782-8721 420-7453

Valentines Day

♥ ♥ ♥ D I N N E R ♥ ♥ ♥

Saturday, February 13th

Cocktails 5:30 Dinner 6:30

**Filet Mignon, Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Vegetable, Roll, Salad & Dessert**

RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED: Lodge 421-6363

\$15.00





Our Members...

Deaths:

None

Sickness & Distress:

Ken Studier is at Gold Crest.
 Scott Schrage recovering from throat cancer.
 Bob Reinhardt recovering from shoulder surgery.
 Terry Edwards is undergoing more cancer treatment.
 Rich Todd recovering from heart surgery.

Published for Membership:

Irme Bonyhady - proposed by Larry Schwindt
 Clayton Tomjack - reinstatement

Members Initiated in December:

None

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

12/2 drawing was for \$38.00. Dennis Dickerson was the name drawn but not present to win.

December's hidden membership number was for member Don Zeiss - 15293

Did you find your hidden member number in this issue of the Elk-O-Gram? Call the Lodge 421-6363 and get two free tickets for our next fabulous dinner!

NOTES FROM THE EDITORS:

19TH OF EACH MONTH 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

If you have questions with the EOG please contact:

Randy King at 402.450.0978

Carrie Fiedler at 402.325.8741

"Three cheers for our Elk-O-Gram folding crew for December",
 Randy King, Allen King

Please call Randy King to see how you can help with our newsletter.

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Now for the Quickies...

The Children's Christmas Party was a great success. Thank you for the outstanding efforts of the many volunteers who helped line up entertainment, sack candy, collect gifts and the many other tasks needed to make this a wonderful time for all who attended.

Work on the facade on the building continues, but is slowed by the weather.

Reminder, January 10, 2-4 PM is the Hoop Shoot at Lincoln East High School. Please come help for a few hours. It's great fun for all involved and many hands make for light work.

Seems the teachers of the Catholic Schools are showing some interest in the Americanism contest. Chairman Sonny Lane is also looking into running a trailer on Channel 10/11 Community Calendar.

We received a nice Thank You letter from the Boo at the Zoo committee for our participation. They look forward to us coming next year. What a successful endeavor this is for our Lodge, thanks to the vision and efforts of Amy Jacobson.

The Trustees continue to work on managing the Smith Bequest funds, looking for the safest and highest returns. Thank them when you see them.

Deer Hide program continues to run smoothly. We have collected and salted nearly 50 hides. They will be transported to Thayer in February for future tanning and conversion into the leather gloves for our wheelchair bound Veterans.

The Elks National Fund (ENF) is at \$5.42 as of 12/16/09. This years goal was \$4.50. So, this means the ENF fund went up \$1.34 for Lodge #80 in one month. Thank you to those who donated, but let's not stop now. Please keep the ENF in mind. We surpassed our goal last year with a final total of \$7.57. Let's do it again this year!

The January Cash Calendars have begun. Cross your fingers. Thanks for helping out.

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.



Delinquent Members

Brianna Bergholz, Dean Borgmann, Darrell Bowman, Cindi Card, David Caudy, Timothy Cox-PER, Rolland Dudley, Aimee Dye, Richard Fitzsimmons, Paulette Gerken, Sterling "Scott" Harwick, Regan Hubbard, Kevin Hurt, Jennifer Hurt, Jason Jirsa, Scott Jurgens, Robert Klein, Larry Knaub, Matthew Kosmicki, Steve Leach, Leon Lehr, Jerome McCabe, Dr. Dan Mosier, Roger Pickering, Jason Pierce, Ben Powell, Shawn Rand, Roger Rocke, Jack Russell, Joe Selvage, Sean Smetter, Roxanne Thomas, Mark Tremain, David Wesemann, Robert Wise, Paige Zutavern.

Reports of Committees

Social Community Welfare: No Report

Veterans Committee: No Report

Midget Football: No Report

Hoop Shoot: Local shoot is Jan 10, Lincoln East, Sunday at 2:00. 36 Volunteers needed 1:30-4:00.

District Shoot is Jan. 23 at the Cooper YMCA.

Soccer Shoot: No Report

Lapsation: 36 delinquents to be dropped. Please call and ask these people to get current.

Scholarship: will soon be receiving applications for the 2010 awards.

Americanism: Solicitations for letters from children out to schools.

Drug Awareness: Boo at the Zoo an outstanding success. Bookmarks handed out at Lincoln Public Schools.

Eagle Scout: Plans being made to invite recipients to Youth Night dinner at Lodge. Watch EOG for more details.

Gold Scout: See "Eagle Scout"

Hide Program: Accepting deer hides. Bin on south side of Lodge.

House Committee: No Report

Trustees: Trustees reviewing options for reinvesting Smith Bequest funds.

Veteran's Care Packages

Four of our volunteer Elks distributed over 200 Veteran care packages at the VA Outpatient Clinic in Lincoln, Monday, December 14, 2009.

Sam Carter, Vilis Berst, Helen Berst and Diane Walkowiak handed out brown paper bags that contained socks, candy, toiletries and playing cards. One such recipient at the VA, Frederick P. Zimmerman from Beatrice pictured with chairmen Sam Carter and Vilis Berst.

For an extra bonus, Vilis contacted the local media for coverage of this event. 10/11 News ran a brief story on Monday the 14th and the Journal Star on Tuesday the 15th. You can see the Journal article by Joe Duggan in your Winter 2009 Husker Elk.



Elk's Lodge No. 80 Officers 2009-2010

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1/1 Lodge Closed
- 1/6 Lodge Meeting 7:00PM
- 1/10 Hoop Shoot 2:00PM @ East High
- 1/11 DOES
- 1/12 Burger Night 5:30PM
- 1/12 American Legion
- 1/14 VFW
- 1/16 Prime Rib Dinner 5:30/6:30
Please Make Reservations
- 1/18 DOES
- 1/19 American Legion
- 1/20 Lodge Meeting 7:00PM
- 1/21 American Legion
- 1/23 District Shoot @ Cooper YMCA
- 1/26 Burger Night 5:30PM
- 1/31 Pancake Feed 8:00AM - 2:00PM
- 2/7 Super Bowl XLIV Party
3:00 Lodge Opens 6:00 Game Starts
- 2/13 Valentine's Day Dinner 5:30/6:30
Please Make Reservations



Elk's Creed

Believe in the goodness in thyself as well as in others.

Protect childhood with tenderness, old age with respect, cherish with reverence the memory of those who have passed.

Observe faithfully the golden rule.

Enjoy the good things of earth.

Keep within thee the Glorious shine of youth and remain always of good cheer.