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BACK TO BACK STATE CHAMPS!

By Stephen Wirth PER, Ritual Coach

The officers of Lincoln Lodge No. 80 won the State Ritual Competition held in North Platte at the 98th Nebraska Elks Association Convention, Friday April 23rd through Sunday, April 25th, 2010. Lincoln performed Friday at 11:00. Four additional teams competed through-out the day. **The team scores and additional awards are listed below.**

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| 1st Lincoln #80 96.9705 | 2nd Omaha #39 95.2614 | 3rd Grand Island #604 95.1640 |
| 4th York #1024 93.9904 | 5th Hastings #159 93.3138 | |

The following officers won individual 1st Place awards in their respective chair positions:

- Exalted Ruler**, Janice Shafer, Grand Island
- Leading Knight**, Amy Jacobsen, Lincoln
- Loyal Knight**, Jeff Saunders, Omaha
- Lecturing Knight**, Carrie Fiedler, Lincoln

- Esquire**, Duane Norris, Hastings
- Chaplain**, Larry Bratt, Lincoln
- Inner Guard**, Doug Rienks, Lincoln
- Candidate**, Larry Schwindt, Lincoln

Loyal Knight Jeff Saunders, Omaha, won the Nutzman Award for highest scoring officer. Ritual Coach Joe Thompson, Hastings, won the George B. Klein Award for his contribution to Ritual. Lincoln Lodge No. 80 won the honors of bringing the Team Traveling Trophy back home for winning their 2nd in a row, State Ritual contest.

Lincoln Officers work hard to accomplish back to back state titles which hasn't been done since the 70's. Their dedication to Ritual is obvious and the excitement for another shot at Nationals is on the horizon. Your State Champions will be heading to National Ritual Contest in Orlando, Florida during the first week of July.

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Grand Exalted Ruler James L. Nicholson

Messages from the GER
GL Newsletter, May 2010

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

The approach of Memorial Day later this month reminds Exalted Rulers, Lodge Officers and all of us to assess Lodge plans to honor Veterans and those fallen in defense of our American way of life. It also serves, in a broader sense, to tell us it is not too late to review the Lodge plans and goals for this Lodge year. Are Lodge goals in place and being advanced satisfactorily?

Memorial Day gives all of us a chance to ask ourselves if our efforts on behalf of Veterans and Veterans' families are up to par. Are we doing our best for the Adopt-A-Vet Program? Are we joining in the Army of Hope? Are we visiting our hospitalized Vets and are we assembling gifts and personal care items for them? If not, perhaps it is time to reorganize and reenergize the Lodge National Service Committee. Remembering Vets is basic to all of Elkdom.

The same goes for all other Lodge programs. Are the Officers practiced and ready to perform an impressive Ritual of Initiation for a well-oriented class of candidates? Is the Elks National Foundation Committee planning fundraisers, writing articles for the Lodge Bulletin and making sure all Officers are donors? Is the Americanism Committee planning the Flag Day Service, preparing for the Americanism Essay Contest and sponsoring flags in classrooms? Are family participation and community activities a prominent part of Lodge committee activities?

The committees mentioned here and all other Lodge committees are important to the soundness of your Lodge. As you track their success, it is not too late in the Lodge year to make adjustments to help meet the reasonable goals you have established. As a leader, it devolves upon you to keep the ball rolling. If your Lodge is working hard and meeting or exceeding your expectations, good for you! If the Lodge is lagging in any area, put your shoulder to the task and move that ball. Plain and simple, this is your time to ensure that, in your Lodge, "Elks Make A Difference."



Exalted Ruler Amy Jacobsen

Dear Elks and Does:

As I write this article it is the night before your ritual team is on its way to North Platte to compete in this year's Ritual Competition. Spring Convention is a great time of year. It is a moment to reflect on last year's accomplishments and look forward to a new exciting year.

I cannot reflect on last year without remembering a great leader. John Brooks is now a P.E.R. He should hold that title with pride. John did some wonderful things this past year and I know we can all look forward to his continued efforts for the Lodge. Everyone has enjoyed his fabulous cooking and has certainly appeared in one of his photographs. If you saw good pictures capturing Lodge #80 events, it was because John Brooks was behind the camera. He worked tirelessly on virtually every activity at the Lodge this year. If you see him, please remember to thank him.

Personally for me, John's year as E.R. was so much more than doing all those little things. He was an example. He was a leader. He was a guy with ideas and a guy with many of the answers. If you read the big round sign on the Lodge wall you will see my name with the phrase I chose for the year, "Lead by Example." Or, I should say, that phrase chose me. I spent last year watching John do it. He did it well. He led by example. I am going to try to do the same...But don't ask me to cook. We are keeping John Brooks on that job. Thanks, John. You're the best!



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STATE CHAMPS CONT.

Show time is 1:00 PM. on Saturday, July 3rd, 2010. More information to follow as we get closer to this exciting event.

Thank-You to Carrie Fiedler's family for allowing her to step in to fill the Lecturing Knight's position so the team could compete at State. Juggling a husband and four kids during the last two months of practice is not an easy task. Ryan and kids, we need your mom for two more months as we prepare for our next goal.

A special thanks to PERs Bobby Clinkenbeard and Richard Todd for helping to keep the Lincoln Officers focused in our quest for another State crown. Also, Connie Moore, who is always there to make sure the Officers Ritual Jewels are pinned correctly before competition. Your smiling face helps to relieve the tension just before we enter the room to victory. A special thank you to Deb Sneller for taking our photo right after competition. It made the front page.

Last but not least, Thank You to all of Lincoln Lodge No. 80's members, families and friends for your continued support in Ritual. We will make you proud.

"Teens of the Year"

Pictured below, April's "Teens of the Year". Thank you to all who participated in this wonderful Elk's #80 event.



DOES News

Thanks to everyone who helped with the spring game. We really appreciate it.

The BPO Does will be having their spring geranium and bedding plant sale, May 8th at the Elk's Lodge, 8:00 AM till 2:00 PM. Geraniums, hanging baskets and bedding plants will be available for purchasing. You can pre-order by calling Kelli Stanley-Smith at 467-5595(D) or 489-8673(N). In addition to plant, we will be selling baked goods and gently used items which are all donated by our members. If you have any items to donate please contact Marjorie Wyant at 423-5939.

On May 22, the Does will be decorating the graves of passed Does for Memorial Day. Any one wishing to help please contact Kelli at the numbers referenced above.

Save the date: August 7, 2010, Third Annual Does Wine Trip. Watch for more information.

Another reminder of Dues. SEND YOUR \$20 TO: DorothyAnn Haar 3130 N. 60th Lincoln, NE. 68507

State Sergeant-At-Arms

Newly installed State President Don Gatzke, of the Nebraska Elks Association appointed Lincoln Lodge #80's Stephen F. Wirth, PER as State Sergeant-At-Arms for the fraternal year, 2010-2011. In this position, PER Wirth will be required to lead the members in attendance at this years Fall Conference as well as next years State Convention in the Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag. Both conference and convention will be held in North Platte, Nebraska.

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Secretary Jerry Wilson

Secretary's Corner

I just returned from the State Convention. You can be proud of being a member of one of the best Lodges in the State. We continue to move forward with our programs, dinners and other Lodge activities. Membership is the key objective for this year; we all should make it our goal this year to ask just one person to be a member.

Just a reminder, dues for the current Lodge year which began April 1st, are due. As of the end of April, 75% of the membership has paid, and I thank you. The new 2010-2011 cards are sent out immediately after I receive your payment, so if you do not receive your card, please let me know. Mistakes either in the Lodge office or with the Post Office do happen.

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. See you all around the lodge
402.570.2555 or lodge80secy@yahoo.com



- 03 Carrie E. Fiedler
Aaron Marshbanks
- 04 Teana Chilsted
James M. Kirk
Phil Maddern
- 05 Jack Russell
- 06 Elton Brodd
Jeff J. Treu
- 07 Phil Sorensen
- 08 Walt W. Hays
Larry L. Schmutte
David Wesemann
- 10 Lawrence E. Wulf
- 14 Joseph L. Hanigan
- 21 Randy Strobe
Neil Stuthmann
- 22 Larry R. Bratt
Sonny Lane
- 25 Philip C. Sprague
- 29 Judson B. Douglas III
Marvin J. Goodding
- 30 Mary Jane Brooks



2010-2011
Elk's Lodge #80 Officers

Exalted Ruler.....	Amy Jacobsen
Leading Knight.....	Stephen Wirth PER
Loyal Knight.....	Doug Rienks
Lecturing Knight.....	Sonny Lane PER
Esquire.....	Larry Bratt
Inner Guard.....	Jeff Sneller PER
Tiler.....	Sam Carter
Secretary.....	Jerry Wilson
Treasurer.....	Imre Bonyhody
Chaplain.....	John Brooks PER
Trustee 1 Year.....	Jim Wood
Trustee 5 Year.....	John Aman PER
Trustee 3 Year.....	Randy King
Trustee 4 Year.....	Larry Schwindt
Trustee 5 Year.....	Scott Schrage

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MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

and Ritual Team Fund Raiser

Sunday, May 9th 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

FULL MENU TO CHOOSE FROM - SPECIAL SURPRISE FOR MOM

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser



May 21st, Friday 5:30 Drink 6:30 Eat

Spaghetti & Meatballs, Vegetable Rolls, Salad & Tiramisu

Help send Ritual Team to Nationals, 2nd year in a row!

JAMAICAN DINNER

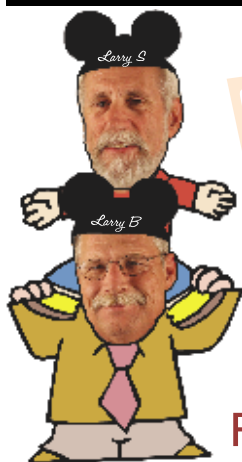
COLORFUL DRESS IS THE ORDER, HEY MON!



SATURDAY, JUNE 19TH 5:30PM COCKTAILS 6:30PM DINNER

Juan Canary Fruit Salad, Jamaican Beef Brisket, Caribbean Pork Loin w/ Orange-Mango Sauce, Jerk Chicken, Rosta shrimp, Red Rice, Kingston Rice w/ Mushrooms, Island Spring Vegetables and Plenty of Dessert!

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FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST


and Ritual Team Fund Raiser

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Lincoln Elk's
Lodge No. 80

Our Members...

Deaths:

None

Sickness & Distress:

Ken Studier is at Gold Crest.

Published for Membership:

Nathaniel Mustion proposed by John Aman
Denise Saathoff proposed by Sonny Lane
Jim Tomka proposed by John Brooks

Members Initiated in April:

None

Members Reinstated in April:

None

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

4/4 drawing did not happen. Installation of Officers on April 10 was the first months meeting.

4/21 drawing was for \$123.00. Clayton Tomjack was the name drawn, but not present to win.

Aprils's EOG hidden membership number:

was for member Martin Massengale (14394). It was hidden on the back page, in the Upcoming Events on the 22nd.

DON'T FORGET TO LOOK OVER THIS ISSUE TO FIND THE HIDDEN MEMBER NUMBER.

If you find your number, call the Lodge 421-6363 and claim your two free tickets for one of our fabulous dinners.

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 April",
Randy King, Larry Schwindt, Carrie Fiedler and a few
other members who wandered in at the very end.

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

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Now for the Quickies...

Reminder about Scholarship Recognition night at Southeast Community College-Lincoln Members who would like to attend in support, wear your red coats if you have one.

Hats off to our new Treasurer, Imre Bonyhody. He is doing a fine job. Not only is Imre one of our newer members, he is forgoing the Treasurer pay. Great Elk spirit.

The Lodge now has tons of hot water for the kitchen. Thank you for the efforts of JOE FOLMER "Not your average Joe plumber" and Gene from CLEAN GENE'S HEATING AND COOLING. Think of these two guys when you are in need of these services. They provided their expertise at a reduced cost to the Lodge. Goes to show that their is an Elk in all of us. Don't forget to ask. That is all it takes. You would be surprised.

This year is going to be a member drive. We lost a total of 33 members from our Lodge. This is 10% of our total memberships! We must think of our Lodge. We can't have this continue. Bring a friend to the Lodge. Attend dinners, football concessions, scouting, soccer, hoop shoot, scholarship activities, drug awareness activities, Boo at the Zoo, Children's Christmas Party. Really the list is endless. The key to our Lodge: Our Members. We all our priceless. We open the door to so many people for so many reasons. Again, if we just ask. Your friend might come. We all know that they will enjoy the laughter and friendship. They will see what our Lodge and the Elks do.

Please attend the meetings so to see who leads our Lodge and to provide new ideas and leadership.



Reports of Committees

Social Community Welfare (Stephen Wirth) Please see article on Elliott Haes titled Social and Community Welfare.

Veterans Committee (Vi Berst) No Report

Midget Football (Scott Schrage) No Report

Hoop Shoot (Doug Rienks) No Report. National Finals take place April 23-25 in Springfield, Mass. Maci Coffey under the Hastings Elks Lodge #159 will compete. GO NEBRASKA!

Soccer Shoot (Doug Rienks) No Report

Lapsation (Jerry Wilson) 210+ have paid '10-'11 dues.

Membership (Sonny Lane) Amy Jacobsen ER will send out letters to people highlighted in the business weekly magazine explaining the benefits of being an Elk Member.

Scholarship (Dave Kirby) May 3rd, at SCC-Lincoln, 6:00. Scholarship Awards Ceremony. Wear your red coats if you have them and all members are encouraged to attend. Note the two photos of Aprils "Teen of the Year" in this EOG.

Americanism (Sonny Lane) No Report

Drug Awareness (Amy Jacobsen) No Report

Eagle Scout (Randy King) Two ceremonies for May and one for June.

Gold Scout (Stephen Wirth) Proposal of \$150 donation to the Silver Award reception was made by Stephen Wirth. At State Convention, Stephen will also converse with other E.R. in regards to their Gold Award Ceremony Activities.

Hide Program (Randy King) No Report

House Committee (Amy Jacobsen) John Aman thanks all for helping during his times of need. Also complimented Roxy at the bar for doing such a great job and taking leadership.

Elks National Foundation (Amy Jacobsen) \$6.82 was our total as of 3/31/10. Our goal was \$4.50. We finished 5th in the state. North Platte was 1st at \$26.18. Way to Go! Time to hit the ground running. Please donate!

Trustees (Larry Schwindt) Questioning of fascia costs are still in process.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: \$100 was requested, voted on and approved for donation to Berean Church. Grammercy Hill sent a thank you for all we do. A motion to donated \$300 to the State Benevolence Fund. It was voted upon and approved.

Social and Community Welfare

Lincoln Lodge No. 80 is happy to help an provide some financial support to a young individual by the name of Elliott Haes. Elliott was born with Spina Bifida eight years ago to his parent Jay and Stephanie of Lincoln. He has two sisters ,Sarah (17) and Piper (14). In December 2009, Elliott was also diagnosed with a tumor in his head which was successfully removed at the Children's Hospital. After tests, it was discovered to be Medulloblastoma, a form of brain cancer. Elliott is a fighter and is currently undergoing chemotherapy in Omaha. These treatments leave him very tired but, he continues to go to school on a daily basis.

Our lodge is contributing \$500. In addition Doyle Butts, then Chairman of the Nebraska Elks Benevolence Commission was contacted and the state is providing \$1,000 in support of Elliott, a total of \$1,500. Our Lodge plans to make this presentation to Elliott and his family, either at our May 5th or May 19th meeting. Elliot's schedule is very busy with Chemo, so his attendance will be very special. In addition, all Elks are invited to attend the fund raiser Sunday, May 23rd. See the flyer below.

- Stephen Wirth PER, Leading Knight

RJ's Angels Presents...

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A benefit for Elliott Haes

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1 style="color: red; text-decoration: underline;">UPCOMING EVENTS</h1>						1 May Cinco De Mayo 5:30 Drink 6:30 Eat Does Derby Race 5:00
2	3 Scholarship Awards All welcome. Wear red coats. SECC by 7:00 PM	4	5 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	6	7	8 DOES SALE Plants and More 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM
9 Mother's Day Breakfast/ Ritual Fund Raiser 8:00AM-12:00PM	10	11 Burger Night 5:30 PM American Legion	12	13 VFW	14	15
16	17 DOES Meeting 7:00 PM	18 American Legion	19 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	20 American Legion	21 Spaghetti Dinner/ Ritual Fund Raiser 5:30 Drink 6:30 Eat	22 DOES will decorate passed Does graves for Memorial Day
23 Elliott's Carnival 1:00-4:00PM 48th & Pioneers Room Rented	24	25 Burger Night 5:30 PM	26	27	28 Room Rented	29
30 Memorial Day	31 Lodge Closed	June Events 14 Flag Ceremony Time: TBA 19 Jamaican Dinner 5:30 Drink 6:30 Eat 20 Father's Day Breakfast/ Ritual Fund Raiser 8:00AM - 12:00PM 28 DOES Meeting 7:00PM				