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LODGE HOURS: Mon-Sat 10:30-Close * Lunch 11:30-1:30 * Closed Sun

Auld Lang Syne by Stephen Wirth PER

Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 held our Elks Memorial Service Sunday, December 5th at 2:00, in front of a nice crowd. Seven (7) departed members were honored during this beautiful ceremony. Wreaths were placed in remembrance for **Meril Allen, Marlin Anderson, Carl Christophersen, Clarence Knosp, James Rakers PER, Earl Stewart and M.E. "Bus" Whitehead** by officers and members present. Organist, Wauneta Peterson, performed a flawless rendition of "Love and Memories" by Stanley Capps, a former officer and Organist of #80. In addition speaker and member, Wade Kendle, provided information about various benevolent groups who also do great works across our communities, state and nation. Stephen Wirth PER, Leading Knight and Larry Bratt, Esquire presented "The Eleven O'clock Toast" and "The Jolly Corker's Toast". Before the closing and benediction, everyone sang in harmony "Auld Lang Syne".



MEMBERS DELINQUENT

Dale Anderson, Leon Bruhn, Michael Bruhn, Dennis Byars, David Carter, James Chestney, Teana Chilsted, Don Evans, Aaron Gengler, David Harrison, Bill Hoffman, Scott Jurgens, Steven Massey, Dan Mosier, Oliver Nesbitt, Richard Pitsch, Jack Russell, Joe Selvage, Richard Silverman, Charles Steenson, Ken Studier, Karen Walker, Jerry Weber, David Wesemann and Burt Young

6TH Annual Scholarship Pancake Feed Lincoln Elk's Lodge #80

Sunday, January 30, 2011
8:00 am to 2:00 pm
5910 S. 58th Street (Trade Center)



\$5.00 Adults
\$2.50 (age 6-12)
Free (age 0-5)
(You can pay at the door)



All You Can Eat Pancakes

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

Bring Your Family,
Friends, Yourself



Hey everyone ! It won't be long and the smell of griddle cakes will fill the lodge room once again. Can you believe it, this will be Lincoln Lodge #80's, 6th Annual Pancake Feed and the board is excited to serve them up once again. Sponsors' old and new are being contacted to help defer the cost of products used for this event. In addition, Does Drove #4 President elect Jody Schrage has assured me that their members will once again provide a host of delightful baked foods and assorted baskets to purchase for taking home. So circle that new 2011 calendar date of January 30th and come take the chill off and exchange it for some warm cakes off the griddle. Chairman Wirth is contacting those volunteers who have help out so generously in the past with their (serving you) talents. Tell all your friends and family members to come and make this pancake feed the best so far. The scholarship board and volunteers will be ready to serve you. Advanced tickets are being sold by committee members. Tickets may also be purchased at the door the day of the event.

-Stephen Wirth PER, Chairperson



**Grand Exalted Ruler
Michael F. Smith**

**Message from the GER
GL Newsletter
January 2011**

"New year means paying attention to calendar"

As we wind down from the Holiday Season and enter the New Year, I want to challenge each of you to make this the best year your Lodge has ever experienced. There are three months left in the Lodge year and it is very important that you compare your accomplishments with your goals.

I hope you are on track to surpass your goals. If you have not reached the goals, it is crucial that you not accept anything less than attaining them. There is adequate time to meet the Elks National Foundation's \$4.50 minimum per capita, a positive gain in Lodge membership and the many other objectives that you wish to attain.

You and your Lodge Members need to respond, make some plans on how to get to where you want to be and go to work. Do not let complacency rule you or the Lodge.

With challenging times, both economic and social, come a great opportunity for those willing to seize the moment. While we can read or watch many negative issues surrounding our lives, we can also feel the warmth and satisfaction of all of the good deeds of our Order.

Share the good works with others. Many people in your community would welcome the opportunity to be a part of a progressive, positive and "passionate" organization if approached. It is way past time that we let people know who we are and they can participate. I would encourage you to ask.

As we initiate new Members I would ask that you get them involved very early, but not as Chairman or as an Officer immediately. Groom the Member into your Lodge. As you visit your Lodge and sit at the same table with the same people each visit...look around and shake some hands, pat some backs in your Lodge. Some of the feedback I am getting from new Members is that they do not feel welcome.

Now is time to "Promote Elks Passion." Seize the opportunity!



**Exalted Ruler
Lodge #80
Amy Jacobsen**

Dear Elks and Does:

Another year has come and gone. I hope for each of you it was both meaningful and productive. If not, the start of the New Year is a great time to begin again. Dust off those old resolutions that fell short in 2010. Come up with some new ones.

I have new goals for the Lodge and I plan to re-new the old ones. I still want to see Members involved in all our various activities and I want each of you to bring new members into the Order. My new resolution for 2011 is to meet more of you. Nothing feels better than walking into a place where everyone knows your name. For all of you who are regulars in the Jolly Corker Pub or if you dine each month at the evening dinners, make sure you introduce yourself to someone new. You will be greeting another one of the Best People On Earth.

Your ritual team is about to embark on another run at being a State Championship ritual team. It is a goal that is important to the ritual team and should be important to you. The team puts in a lot of work and each year appreciates your words of encouragement. Please keep the encouragements coming! This time of year also means it is time to start thinking about officer positions for the next lodge year. In April we will be installing all new officers. If you want to start getting more involved with what we do in the Lodge, serving as an officer is a great place to start. Please talk to me or another officer. It can be a lot of work, but with it comes a lot of fun and great experiences.

Enjoy the New Year. Let me know if you have any ideas the Lodge can implement this year. The Lodge is here for all to enjoy and we need to figure out the best way to reach our members and all the children and veterans we serve. I hope to see you soon.

Elks Care - Elks Share

Our Members...

Deaths:

None

Sickness and Distress:

Ken Studier PER is at Gold Crest

Ed Herstein at Tabitha

Richard Blomgren PER is at home

Jules Goldberg is recovering from a bad fall

Brent Travis is at Madonna

Rod Rozanek PER is recovering from hip surgery

Art Berthold at Madonna, Pneumonia

Vi Berst recovering from Pneumonia

Larry Schenkel at Madonna recovery of leg infection

Published for Membership:

Kay Kletchka

Members Initiated in December:

Abby Clark, pictured with Randy King and Amy Jacobsen ER.



Members Reinstated in December:

None

Membership Drawing: *Attending meetings pays in more than just one way! You must attend to win!*

12/1 meeting was at \$145. Dale Hansen was the name drawn and he was not present to win.

December's EOG Hidden Membership Number:

was 15753; Mitch Becker. His number was hidden on page 6 inside the Memorial Service reminder.

Folding Crew for December Elk-O-Gram:

Thank you to Stephen Wirth, Larry Schwindt, Larry Bratt, Bob Sindlar, Sam Carter, Gerry Miles, Walt Powell, Randy King and Rich Todd. (Rich also took the finished EOG to Bulk Mail)

Elk-O-Gram Editor

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Knight Tales

Leading Knight - Stephen F. Wirth PER

Charity, it's the greatest of all the virtues: A decade has just past, what seems to be, in a blink of an eye. Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 has experience some tight moments financially during this period of time while trying to maintain its membership. This past year has seen an increase of new members initiated which can only mean one thing. Your lodge is moving forward in the right direction and welcomes the challenges 2011 can bring. #80 currently have a group of lodge officers and committee chairs who work and play well together. Take a moment and review the past year's EOGs and see if you agree. Take a look at all the fine things we do and have accomplished in 2010. Their devotion to the principles of our Order speaks volumes about the character of each. Their professionalism and expertise as well as their playful friskiness are truly inspiring and feverishly catching. I am proud to be associated with such a fine group of men and women. So, bring on the new decade! #80's members are waiting with open arms.

Loyal Knight - Doug Rienks

Have a Happy New Year!

Lecturing Knight - Sonny Lane PER

Reminder from November: Just Ask!



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Secretary's Corner

Happy New Year to all! We all can be proud of our past year and what we 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 begin the process of dropping those members who did not pay their 2010 – 2011 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.

My goal for the New Year 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 at 570-2555 or my email lodge80secy@yahoo.com. See you all around the lodge in the New Year! **-Jerry Wilson**

Does News


Happy New Year!! The January meeting will be January 17. We will install the officers for the year 2011. Their will be a light supper before the meeting. The Does will be holding their annual bake sale at the Pancake feed, January 30. If you like to donate items please call Kelli at 467-5595. I would like to thank all my officers and those who helped make 2010 a successful year for the Drove. Best wishes for 2011! **-Marjorie Wyant, President**

CASH CALENDAR

\$4000

WOW! We raised \$4,000. Per the fund rules, \$2,100 was rewarded during the daily drawings. Congratulations to all the winners. A complete list to come in the February Elk-O-Gram. Thank you to all who participated.

-Stephen Wirth, PER, CC Chairman





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| 01 Thomas H Lynch | |
| 04 Michael Bruhn | 16 John Lemke |
| Charles Thone | 18 Sanford H Nelson |
| 05 Watson Brower, III | Charles T Steenson |
| 06 Betty J Akin | 19 Terry L Edwards |
| John W Brooks | 20 Robert H Taylor |
| Roger White | 21 James M Gray |
| 08 Roxanne Thomas | Walter W Powell |
| 09 Jason C Brooks | 22 John H Robel, Jr |
| Leo Hill | 24 Bob Clinkenbeard |
| 10 Gene M Obrecht | Terry L Hagan |
| 12 Linda Rienks | 25 Ronald L Colin |
| 13 John E Baker | 26 Larry Benac |
| Willis K Harding | Harry J Blum |
| 15 Tom Pallas | 31 Glen Riensche |

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 Bonyhady
Chaplain.....	John Brooks PER
Trustee 2 Year.....	Bob Sindlar
Trustee 2 Year.....	John Aman PER
Trustee 3 Year.....	Randy King
Trustee 4 Year.....	Larry Schwindt
Trustee 5 Year.....	Scott Schrage

103rd Children's Christmas Party by John Brooks PER

On Sunday, December 19th at Pershing Center members of Lincoln Elk's Lodge #80 sponsored the 103rd Citywide Children's Christmas Party. The audience of approximately 1400 was entertained by multi-talented Henrik Bothe & Local Comedian & Magician Gayle Becwar. A total of 237 Gifts were donated by local Business Networking International Groups and generous donations by a Lodge #80 Members.

As the children arrived they would pick out a piece of candy. If the candy had prize winner sticker they would go to the gift window and choose their desired toy. Even though every child did not win a prize, every child leaves with a wonderful bag of treats. 1400 bags were prepared on Friday December 17th by 47 Elk's #80 Volunteers in 55 minutes. Extra bags of treats were donated to the Veteran's Committee for distribution, The People's City Mission & other deserving families and organizations. The show concluded by the arrival of Santa Clause played by Lodge 80's Gerry Gordon.



Reports of Committees

Social and Community - Stephen Wirth, Chairperson

On December 12th, #80 presented the Cooper family with an early Christmas gift. With the help of the Nebraska Benevolence Commission Chairman Richard Walters, PSP, his committee members and the membership of Lincoln Lodge #80, Social and Community Chairman Stephen Wirth PER, presented \$1,000.00 to CJ and April, the parents of Dathin who was born with Spina Bifida. Dathin spent the first 176 days of his life at the Children's Hospital in Omaha where he was challenged with numerous medical conditions. He will turn 3 this January, 2011. Dathin is currently using a special wheel chair for his mode of travel. Dathin, along with sister Brynley and brother Easton keep mom and dad on the go. PERs John Brooks and PR East District Chair Wirth enjoyed getting to know the Coopers better during their afternoon visit. CJ and April want to extend their families heartfelt thanks to all the Elks who have touched their lives recently. We are extremely grateful to the Elks for this most generous gift. They both continue to say, "We know that all things happen for a reason and we feel privileged and blessed to have been selected to be Dathin's parents". The Elks truly Care and Share.



Lapsation - Jerry Wilson, Secretary

26 members have not paid dues. See the front page of this EOG for list of names.

Hoop Shoot - Doug Rienks, Coordinator

The local hoop shoot will be held on Saturday, January 15th at 2:00- 3:30 PM at Lincoln East High School Gym. We will need to have 30-35 volunteers arrive by 1:30 PM. Please consider giving two hours of your time.

Midget Football - Scott Schrage, Coordinator

No report. Season over.

Soccer Shoot - Doug Rienks, Coordinator

No report.

Membership - Sonny Lane, Chairperson

No Report.

Eagle Scouts - Randy King, Chairperson

Two ceremonies were performed November 21st for Ian Werner and Charles Aman (pictured below). Charles is the son of Elk Trustee, John Aman PER.



December 11, Stephen Wirth PER performed the ceremony for Austin Heckman. (Pictured below: Stephen Wirth with the Heckman Family, Ariel, Austin, Andrea and Jeff.



From The Foxhole Of The Veteran's Committee - Vi Berst, Chairperson; Sam Carter, Vice Chairperson
 Wishing all our Veteran friends a "Happy New Year". It was a pleasure visiting with, and breaking bread with all those Veterans that we made contact with. We hope to see more Veterans in 2011 and be as helpful as we can. There will be more about our 2010 Christmas Gifts to Veterans in the next issue of the Elk-O-Gram. "God Bless".

Scholarship - Dave Kirby, Chairperson
 National level scholarships were due Dec. 1. NE level are due Jan. 10-15.

Americanism - Sonny Lane, Coordinator
 No Report.

Drug Awareness - Amy Jacobsen ER, Coordinator
 Packets of drug material will be distributed at the Hoop Shoot.

Gold Scouts - Stephen Wirth, Chairperson
 No Report.

Hide Program - Randy King, Chairperson
 82 hides as of Dec. 1, up considerably from last year. More are expected before the season end.

Trustees - Larry Schwindt, Chairperson
 Audit is finished. Trade Center has rejected payment on fascia work, requesting an explanation as to why the check reflects a different amount than what was billed.

House - Amy Jacobsen ER, Chairperson
 A regular rental of the Lodge room may be in the works. A health inspection citing some minor issues that will be corrected.

John F. Aman, Esq

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Now for the Quickies

Reminder: The Jolly Corker Pub is now open 6 days a week for lunch (Monday - Saturday). When your there, pick up an official "Jolly Corker Pub" t-shirt for only \$12.00.

Volunteers, WE NEED YOU!

Folding Crew for EOG - Randy King 450.0978
 Help fold and tape current newsletter

Hide Program - Contact Randy King 450.0978

Help with any of our wonderful dinners just contact the Lodge or just show up! Cooking, cleaning, dishes, table set-up, serving food, food pick-up, donate raffle prizes, reminder calls, ticket sales.

Local Hoop Shoot - Doug Rienks 430.6002
 Arrive at Lincoln East High School by 1:30. Enter on the east. Need 30-35 Volunteers. Done around 3:30.

Pancake Feed - Contact the Lodge

January 8, 2011 * 5:30 Social Hour/6:30 Dinner
"Dishes of the Amish" \$10.00



Baked Ham, Chicken and Noodles,
 Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy,
 Farm Vegetables, Homemade Rolls
 w/Apple Butter & Honey Butter,
 Assortment of Salads and
 Cobbler/Ice Cream for Dessert!



SUPER BOWL XLV PARTY

At the Jolly Corker Pub
 Sunday, February 6, 2011,
 Lodge open at 3:00 PM. Kick-off 6:00 PM
 Big Screen Projection TV
 Food served, Free will Donation



February 12th Valentine's Dinner

Mark your calendar!
 More details to come in the
 January EOG.



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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.

Don't Forget To Look for the member number in this issue. If you find your's, call the Lodge for your prize!

JANUARY EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 December 2010	27	28	29	30	31	1 January 2011 Happy New Year!! Lodge Closed
2	3	4	5 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	6	7	8 Amish Dinner 5:30 Cocktails 6:30 Dinner
9	10 NE Elk Scholarship Applications Jan 10 - 15	11 Burger Night 5:30 PM	12	13 VFW	14	15 Hoop Shoot 2:00 PM District Deputy Clinic/Omaha
16	17 DOES Installation of Officers	18 American Legion	19 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	20 American Legion	21	22
23	24	25 Burger Night 5:30 PM	26	27	28	29
30 6th Annual Pancake Feed and DOES Bake Sale	31	February Events 15489 06 SUPERBOWL at Jolly Corkers Pub. Open 3:00PM, Kick-off 6:00PM 12 Valentines Dinner Time TBA				