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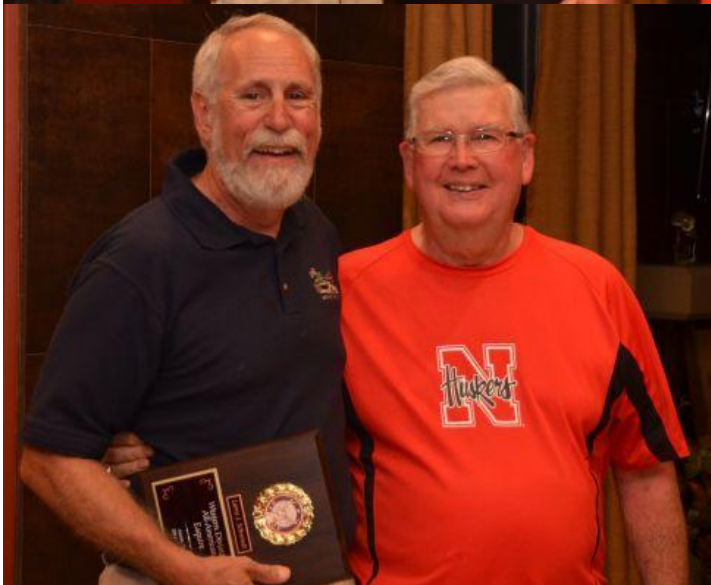
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THE FAULTS OF OUR MEMBERS, WE WRITE UPON THE SAND - THEIR VIRTUES UPON THE TABLETS OF LOVE AND MEMORY

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After the Soccer Shoot on September 8th, there was a gathering at ER Rienks' home. Here, the ritual team All-Americans were presented with their plaques for a job wonderfully done. Congratulations again to Mike Jurado, Larry Bratt and Larry Schwindt!



Boo at the Zoo



Fish Dinner

Fried fish

Coleslaw

Baked Beans

Rye Bread

Pickle Spears

Dessert



Raffle prizes to include gift certificates to Cabela's, Rachel's Boutique and many others. Please come out and enjoy the evening on **October 13th!**

We are again taking part at Boo at the Zoo. This fun event raises money to feed the animals at the Lincoln Children's zoo. Lodge #80 is a sponsor and we need you to come out in costume to greet children, pass out candy and pass out drug awareness items. If you haven't taken part in years past but want to contribute, contact PER Amy Jacobsen at 402-699-2201.

Boo takes place Friday, October 26 through Tuesday, October 30th. There are a total of 5 nights of fun, but you do not have to obligate yourself to all 5 nights. In fact, many come out for just one evening. It lasts from approximately 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The best part is, you get to wear a costume!



Grand Exalted Ruler, 2012-2013

Thomas S. Brazier
Message from the GER
Grand Lodge Newsletter,
October 2012

*"What can your lodge do with
free money?"*

As you all know, in October we focus the spotlight on the Elks National Foundation. Often called "The Great Heart of Elkdom," many Officers are not aware of the many facets of ENF. They know about the Scholarship and Veterans Programs, but may not understand the various grants available directly to the Lodges and the criteria for obtaining these grants.

Through the Community Investments Program, the ENF will invest \$6.5 million in Lodge communities this year. Lodges can use Community Investments Program grants to serve the community, so be sure to apply online.

First, let's start with the newest of the ENF grants, the Beacon Grant. Beacon Grants are \$1,000 grants available to every Lodge. This grant program began July 1 and offers Lodges an opportunity to develop an ongoing, charitable, Elks-driven community project. For this grant, all you need to do is have a program plan and apply for the grant. Free money!

Gratitude Grants, worth \$2,000, are available to Lodges that meet the GER's \$4.50 per-member goal for giving to the ENF. These grants can be used to serve a variety of community needs. Promise Grants, also worth \$2,000, are available to the first 500 Lodges that apply to hold a youth event.

As you can see, the monies add up very quickly. You can use a \$1,000 Beacon Grant in conjunction with a \$2,000 Gratitude Grant and/or a \$2,000 Promise Grant, to maximize your community project and promote awareness in your community for the work that is being done by your Lodge.

Finally, Impact Grants are competitive grants of up to \$10,000 designed to help Lodges make a visible, significant and ongoing difference in their communities. Just as their name implies, what better way is there to make an "impact" in your community? Applications were due August 31, and 2013 recipients will be announced at the end of October.

As you see, many resources are available to Lodges to help increase participation in the community and to make a difference in the charitable programs being administered. Remember, the more visible you are in your local community, the more you will attract members who want to be part of an organization that is making a difference. Don't leave the money unused. Apply for your grants now! Visit the ENF's Web site to get started.

Remember, **"Elks Care - Elks Share!"**



Exalted Ruler Lodge No. 80 2012-2013

Doug Rienks

Each time I sit down to compose something for the monthly EOG, I am amazed at how fast the time is going!

This month, I regretfully announce that our Lodge Secretary Denis Applebee is going to resign his office of Secretary. I know this is an exciting time for Denis and Kathy but he will be greatly missed at the Lodge. He has been outstanding as Lodge Secretary and he has made the office of Exalted Ruler much easier the last six months. Denis you will be missed as our Secretary but most of all as a friend.

We had a great turnout for our District Deputy visit and dinner on Wednesday, September 19th. For those that do not know, the office of District Deputy is held by our own Amy Jacobsen, P.E.R.. It was a pleasure to host her for the night and as always Amy made everyone feel at ease.

What I would like to address is her comments to the Lodge as District Deputy. Along with informing us that the Lodge has everything in proper order with Grand Lodge she took a few minutes to discuss the issue of declining membership in the Elks. I know many of you hear this over and over that we need new members, but Amy presented it in a way that is unique. She simply asked the members present if we had found someone to replace ourselves. This was not stated in a way she wanted us out, except maybe the Exalted Ruler, but in a way that we can continue on our good works.

Our Lodge has been around for over 100 years and I expect it will continue for another 100 if we can continue to find replacements for ourselves. So my charge to you is, have you found your replacement to help continue the great tradition of the Elks? It is definitely something to think about.

In the light of great traditions I want to thank everyone for giving of their time to help with the Soccer shoot held earlier this month. The kids seemed to enjoy the contest and we had beautiful weather to make a great day. Remember Live, Love, Laugh, Leave a Legacy!

Knight's Tales

This summer has seemed to fly by and fall is now upon us. The new season brings many opportunities for us to become involved in activities with the lodge.

The Does need volunteers to help with the concession stands at Home football games, Boo at the Zoo will be held from October 26th through October 30th at the Lincoln Children's Zoo. This is an opportunity to be part of the community and help provide a safe environment for trick and treat for all of Lincoln.

Please consider coming and helping one of the nights and I guarantee you will have a good time, and let the little kid come out as you dress in costume and hand out treats and drug awareness information.

Thesauruses will be distributed to the 5th graders in schools and we can always use volunteers to help pass them out. We all joined this great organization for a reason, and now is a time that you can pick something to become involved and show others why the BPOE is such an important and vital organization for the community.

Contact the Chairman of these committees or a Lodge Officer for more information and how you can help.

-Larry Bratt, Lecturing Knight

From Your Does...

The Friday, September 7th Bingo evening was a great success! Many thanks to all who supported the effort. Drove meetings are held at 7:00 on the third Monday of the month with the next meeting scheduled for October 15. Initiation of one new member will be held and two additional members will be initiated in November. As always, we continue to look for concession volunteers for the home Husker football games. Please let Kellie Stanley-Smith know if you are able to help us out.

- Vicki Logan, President

...The Quickies...

... Wow, should have been at the last meeting! The P.E.R.'s outnumbered the members. Can't remember the last time I saw 10 P.E.R.'s at a Lodge meeting ... Nice visit from our very own District Deputy Amy Jacobsen. She had words of praise and encouragement for our Lodge, and concerns about the losses from our Club ... Speaking of that, come to the Club for lunches, afternoon snacks, adult beverages and more. Did you know they have daily drink specials posted? Come on in and check it out! ... We have met our ENF goal for the year, we are at \$5.77 per person. This enables us to apply for grants from National. We have received the Promise grant already, and are applying for a Gratuity grant ... We hope to use this to buy 3000 printed pencils to be distributed with the dictionaries and thesauruses being passed out to area 5th graders ... Boo at the Zoo is upcoming, October 26-30, see Amy Jacobsen to participate. This is great fun, easy to do ... Rich Todd was seen handing out an American Flag at an Eagle Scout ceremony in Waverly ... Flag poles are now brightly lit, Thank You Randy King for repairing our light ... Still 3 football games left for Midget Football, 2nd and South on Sundays, come cheer the kids on ... Did you know there are 848,712 Elks in 2013 Lodges in the United States? We need to get to a million, folks, there are over 330 million people in the U.S. Ask a friend to join ... Chuck Meisinger is being presented as a candidate for State Trustee at large for the Nebraska State Elks Association ... Hoop shoot is upcoming December 9th, 2-3 pm at Lincoln East High, please see E.R. Rienks to help ... Be sure to get your cash calendars in, and stop past the office or the Club and pick up a few more to sell, they make great stocking stuffers, they are inexpensive, and the Lodge really needs the income they provide ... Did you see the Voice newspaper September 13? Nice article mentioning the Elks ... Rumor has it there will be a polka band for Oktoberfest on November 3 ... Sounds like we may be enlisting the UNL department of music to provide some dinner entertainment for upcoming dinners, watch your EOG for more information ... Struggling a bit to get volunteers to staff concession stands at the UNL football games, need to step up and volunteer or we will have to discontinue. This would be quite a blow to the Does, as this is a major fundraiser for them, not to mention they always present us with a very nice check for our efforts ... You might be seeing some Boy Scouts around the Lodge for cleanup help at some upcoming dinners, good fundraiser for the Scouts, and takes a bit of the burden off our already under-appreciated volunteers ...

Leave A Legacy, Start A Scholarship

The Lincoln Elks Lodge exhibits the commitment to our local youth in many ways. One that is most recognizable is our extensive scholarship program. As a lodge we give approximately \$34,000 per year to college bound students. What better way to leave a legacy than to create a scholarship in your name or the name of a loved one.

With as little as \$3,500 you can start a named scholarship. This can be accomplished with a single donation or through incremental giving. The Lincoln Elks Lodge Charitable Fund, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) corporation so your donations are tax deductible.

Please consider expanding our scholarship awards with a donation, there is no better way to show that "Elks Care, Elks Share". Please contact a member of the Scholarship committee to arrange the start of your scholarship.



Lincoln Elks Lodge No. 80

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A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION

Whereas, The officers and members of Lincoln, Nebraska Lodge No. 80 do recognize and appreciate the dedicated service and leadership given by Charles "Chuck" Meisinger to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, the Nebraska State Elks Association, the Lincoln Elks Lodge No. 80 and the Lincoln Elks Lodge community; and

Whereas, He was initiated into Lincoln Elks Lodge 80 in 1974 and immediately became active in various committees, including; chairing the Saturday football committee during the time when literally hundreds of Elks from all over the State would stop by for hamburgers before the game and dinner following; serving as Chairman of the Lodge's all city Children's Christmas party for 10 years; initiated the book project for Lincoln Elks Lodge 80 and has served as Chairman for 5 years; became Exalted Ruler in 1996-97; served 9 years as a Lodge Trustee both before and after his term as Exalted Ruler; currently serving as Treasurer of the Lodge's PER Association; and

Whereas, He has served the Nebraska Elks Association Benevolent Committee from 1997 to the present, some of the time as Vice Chairman; serving for 9 years on the Convention Commission of the State Association, currently as Treasurer of that Commission; chairing or co-chairing the Trustees seminar for the New Officers Training Workshop for 8 years; serves as Secretary/Treasurer of the Exhausted Roosters Club of Nebraska; was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of the Nebraska East District in 2001-02; all prior to serving as State President of the Nebraska State Elks Association in 2007-08; and

Whereas, He faithfully served his country as a member of the U.S. Army from 1969 to 1971, spending 1970 to 1971 in Vietnam; and

Whereas, He has accomplished this with the love, support and encouragement of his wife of 44 years, Kathy; now therefore,

Be it resolved, That the officers and members of Lincoln, Nebraska Elks Lodge No. 80 are honored to present to the 2013 Nebraska State Convention in North Platte, Nebraska, Charles "Chuck" Meisinger as a candidate for the office of State Trustee at Large of the Nebraska State Elks Association.

Douglas Rienks, Exalted Ruler

Denis Applebee, Secretary

Dated this 19th day of September, 2012

Our Members...

Sickness & Distress:

Jerry Gorton is at Tabitha

Deaths:

none

Members for Consideration:

none

Members for Reinstatement:

none

Members Initiated in September:

none

September's EOG Hidden Membership Number:

012717 - Ronald Colin, hidden in the Quickies

Attendance Drawing: 23 in attendance, Carrie Fiedler's name was drawn and was the winner of \$24.50, which was donated to the General Fund.

Membership Drawing: \$644.00. Rick Carney's name was drawn, but was not present to win that pot, so it carries over to next month. It pays to come to meetings!

The Jolly Corker Pub is open for lunch starting at 11:30 Mon-Sat, 12:30 Wed.

Chef Salad specials on Wednesdays! Come in and enjoy good food and good company!

Committee Reports

Americanism - Sonny Lane - No report.

Boy Scouts - Randy King - 1 Eagle Scout ceremony in Waverly
Drug Awareness - Amy Jacobsen - Short update from Amy on Boo at the Zoo which Oct 26-30.

Girl Scouts - Stephen Wirth - 14146 - No report.

Hide Program - Jeff Sneller - Flyers have been distributed.

Hoop Shoot - Doug Rienks - Doug can use help on the Hoop Shoot in contacting schools outside of Lincoln.

House Committee - House Committee / Trustees: 1) Scott Schrage reported that plans were being drawn up by Larry Schwindt for the repair of the walk in cooler floor.2) It was decided not to purchase the Big Ten Network as it was too expensive. Looking a possibly bundling our TV, phone and computer.

Hunter's Safety - Randy King - No report.

Membership - Sonny Lane - General discussions held on how to increase our membership.

Midget Football - Scott Schrage - Season under way and things are going good.

Retention - Denis Applebee - Total members 278, with 30 unpaid.

Scholarship - Dave Kirby - No report.

Soccer Shoot - Doug Rienks - Had 16 Elks and 6 non Elks help with the Soccer Shoot. Had 85 participants. State Soccer Shoot is Oct 6, 2012 in Hastings.

Social Community Welfare - Doug Rienks - No report.

Veterans Committee - Vi Berst - No report.

2012-2013

Elks' Lodge #80 Officers

Exalted Ruler.....	Doug Rienks
Leading Knight.....	Sonny Lane PER
Loyal Knight.....	Larry Schwindt
Lecturing Knight.....	Larry Bratt
Esquire.....	Gerald Miles
Inner Guard.....	Robert Sindlar
Tiler.....	Sam Carter
Secretary.....	Denis Applebee
Treasurer.....	Imre Bonyhady
Chaplain.....	Jeff Sneller
Organist.....	Wauneta Peterson
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Trustee 2 Year.....	Kim Wiseman
Trustee 3 Year.....	Scott Schrage
Trustee 4 Year.....	Amy Jacobsen PER
Trustee 5 Year.....	Daryll Thavenet



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Elk-O-Gram Editor's Note

Articles Due: **October 18**

(Deadline is ALWAYS midnight of the Thursday after last meeting of the month)

Articles can be sent to Maureen and Kevin Sadler at: **eog.lodge80@gmail.com**

All past issues, lodge information, and more can be seen at **www.elks80.org**

Created and managed by webmaster Larry Klein

Those who helped assemble, fold, label, and deliver the Elk O Gram to bulk mail this month were: Nancy Halstead, Vicki Logan, Larry Schwindt, P.E.R. Jeff Sneller, and Randy King.

Please join us October 23rd to assemble the Elk O Gram for November. Remember, many hands make light work...

2012-2013 Committees

Accident: Randy King, Mgr.
Americanism: Sonny Lane PER, Coord.
Antlers: Stephen Wirth PER, Coord.
Auditing: Duane Vanderbeek, Chpers.
Benevolence: Charles Meisinger PER/PDD/PSP, Chpers.
Community Activities: Stephen Wirth PER, Chpers.
Drug Awareness: Amy Jacobsen PER, Coord.
ENF: Larry Bratt, Chpers.
Eagle Scouts: Randy King, Chpers.
Flag Day: VACANT
Gold Award: Stephen Wirth PER, Chpers.
Gov. Relations: Richard Todd PER/PDD, Coord.
Hide Program: Jeff Sneller, Chpers.
Hoop Shoot: Doug Rienks, Coord.
Hunters Safety: Randy King, Chpers.
Indoctrination: Larry Bratt, Coord.
Investigation: Larry Bratt, Coord.
Retention: Denis Applebee, Mgr.
Lodge Activities: Richard Todd PER/PDD, Coord.
Membership: Sonny Lane PER, Chpers.
Midget Football: Scott Schrage, Coord.
Public Relations: Stephen Wirth PER, Coord.
PER Association: VACANT
Ritual: Stephen Wirth PER, Chpers.
Scholarship: Wes Durst, Chpers.
Soccer Shoot: Doug Rienks, Coord.
Veterans: Vilis Berst, Mgr.
Visitation: Sam Carter, Mgr.
Youth Activities: David Kirby PER, Mgr.

Secretary's Corner

My wife Kathy has accepted a new job in Des Moines, IA. She starts October 1st and I will follow once our home sales. It has been a pleasure to serve all of you. Thank you so much for your input and help.

Please let me know if you have any thoughts or suggestions to help our lodge grow. You can reach me at lodge80secy@yahoo.com or 402-540-4115.

Denis Applebee- 2012-2013 Lodge Secretary

Oktoberfest!

It is fall and it is time to think about OKTOBERFEST. This year's dinner which is sponsored and cooked by the Past Exalted Rulers Association, will feature a superbly cooked Pork Loin, Hand made German sausage, sauerkraut, German Potato Salad, Green Beans and a wonderful dessert.

The festivities will begin with cocktails at 5:30 with dinner following at 6:30. Put you knee braces on because we will have the pleasure of listening and dancing to the sounds of Less Talk and More Polka. We have arranged for the band to play for the Lodge for 2 hours and may extend the music if lots of us are dancing and don't want the night to go away. A free will donation for the food is asked. So Let's ROLL OUT THE BARREL AND HAVE A BARREL OF FUN.

Please call the Lodge for a reservation as we are expecting a good turn out and will prepare food for the first 100 that call. If you miss the food, you can still come to this great evening of entertainment. SEE YOU THERE! Oh by the way, it's on SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3RD.

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Soccer Shoot

On Saturday September 8th the Lincoln Elks Lodge held the local soccer shoot. The weather conditions were ideal and there was great participation. A total of 85 young people participated.

Without the help of the many volunteers this would not have been possible. We had 14 Elk volunteers and 6 non Elk volunteers. Thank you to everyone that volunteered their time for the shoot. The Elks are committed to the youth of our community and your participation in these events shows the public our commitment.

The winners of each age division are eligible to participate at the State Soccer Shoot held on October 6th in Hastings. The winners from State will be invited to the Regional shoot on November 3rd and 4th in El Dorado, KS. All ties were broken by using the scores from the last five shots on the large goal contest and the last three shots on the small goals.

Trophies awarded to the top three places. This year as something different, we decided to deliver the trophies to the schools. We hope this will give more exposure to the event and the Elks.

Under 8 Girls

- 1st Place: Saylor Babcockl 29 points
- 2nd Place: Jocelyn Messersmith 26 points
- 3rd Place: Meghan Hammond 25 points

Under 10 Girls

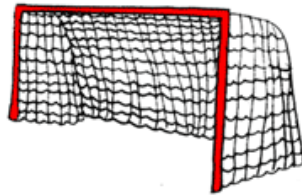
- 1st Place: Hannah Warnke 31 points
- 2nd Place: Bernadette Fulton 31 points
- 3rd Place: Ashley Clark 26 points

Under 12 Girls

- 1st Place: Ashley Cole 29 points
- 2nd Place: Alaina Lewis 26 points
- 3rd Place: Jillian Dlouhy 25 points

Under 14 Girls

- 1st Place: Bailey Kaufman 44 points
- 2nd Place: Kyleigh Boden 34 points
- 3rd Place: Stacie Post 33 points



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Under 8 Boys

- 1st Place: Hunter Warnke 23 points
- 2nd Place: Austin Klems 23 points
- 3rd Place: Brynden Crumme 22 points

Under 10 Boys

- 1st Place: Ian Becerra 36 points
- 2nd Place: Graedon Hilton 30 points
- 3rd Place: Ethan Schaimost 29 points

Under 12 Boys

- 1st Place: Vincent Pham 38 points
- 2nd Place: Dylan Jorgensen 38 points
- 3rd Place: Nicholas Rienks 36

Happy October Birthdays!

- 01 - Melvin A. Brydl
- 02 - Erwin W. Vosta
- 12 - John A. Herrod III
- 17 - Donald E. Wendelin
- 20 - Douglas J. Haggart
- 21 - Steven Blomgren
- 24 - Howard E. Schneider
- 25 - Martin A. Massengale
- 26 - Thomas J. Bennett
- 27 - Warren W. Barth
- Darrell Bryceson
- Gary Lavoie
- 28 - C. H. Traudt
- 30 - Scott Thayer
- 31 - Arthur R. Jones



District Deputy Amy Jacobsen, P.E.R. stopped down to the lodge the other night to say hello and update us on the goings on of the District. It was great to see you down here again, stop by more often!

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Don't forget to look for the member number in this issue. If you find yours, call the Lodge for your prize!

October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Trustee's Meeting 6pm Lodge Meeting 7pm	4	5	6
7	8	9 Burger Nite 5:30pm American Legion	10	11 VFW	12	13 Fish Dinner 6:30pm
14	15 Does Meeting 7pm	16 American Legion	17 Lodge Meeting 7pm	18 American Legion	19	20 Room Rented
21	22	23 Burger Nite 5:30pm	24	25	26 Boo at the Zoo	27 Boo at the Zoo
28 Boo at the Zoo	29 Boo at the Zoo	30 Boo at the Zoo	31			