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

**State Ritual Champions**

Lincoln Lodge No. 80 was crowned Nebraska's Ritual Champs for the 9th year in a row at the 104th Annual Nebraska Elks Convention held in Grand Island, April 28th, 29th, 30th at the Hotel Grand Convention Center Awards Banquet that Saturday evening. Coaches / PERs Doug Reinks and Stephen Wirth prepared the team well to meet the challenge. Lincoln scored a 97.7691 to finish 1st, while Grand Island took 2nd with a score of 95.1991. Lincoln's Chaplain, Larry Schwindt with a personal score of 96.2130 won the Nutzman Award for the highest scoring officer of all who competed. In addition, Lincoln gets to retire the State Ritual Traveling Trophy to their trophy case. This makes the 3rd State trophy, 2017, which now stands proudly next to the other two that were retired in 2014 and 2011 respectively. A lodge Ritual Team is required to win the traveling trophy 3 consecutive years in order to claim it and retire it at their lodge home. Lincoln will now compete in the National Ritual Contest to be held at the 153rd Elks National Convention in Reno, Nevada, July 16th through the 19th, 2017. Lincoln is scheduled to perform on Saturday, July 15th at 3 p.m. prior to the start of the convention's Sunday opening ceremony.

The following individual Ritual awards were presented: Lincoln; Exalted Ruler Mary Brooks, Esteemed Leading Knight Laurie Montag, Esteemed Loyal Knight Troy Pedersen, Chaplain Larry Schwindt, Inner Guard Bobby Clinkenbeard and Candidate Bradley Norton. Grand Island: Esteemed Lecturing Knight Jim Thompson and Esquire William Carstens. Additional awards include: Flag Tribute, Bradley Norton, 11 O'clock Toast, Larry Bratt, and a new award presented this year is the Jolly Cork Toast won by Stephen Wirth.



Congratulations to all as we continue to work toward winning Ritual's Western Division, a spot in the Final Four and ultimately a 3rd National Championship.

Ritual Team pictured, L/R are as follows: Tiler Larry Jurgens, Candidate Bradley Norton, Chaplain Larry Schwindt, Esteemed Loyal Knight Troy Pedersen, Exalted Ruler Mary Brooks, Esteemed Leading Knight Laurie Montag, Esteemed Lecturing Knight Harry Montag, Inner Guard Bobby Clinkenbeard, Esquire Larry Bratt and Coach Stephen Wirth. Not pictured is Coach Doug Reinks.

# Announcements

**Spring Dinners**

**Mark your calendars!**  
The following dates are the upcoming dinners to watch for. Make sure you've got these evenings set aside for your friends down at the Lodge!  
Saturday June 10th (Spaghetti Feed),  
Sunday June 18th (Father's Day Brunch), and Saturday June 24th (Campfire Foil Dinner).

**Work Day**

Sunday, June 25 will be a work day at the lodge. We will start at 9 am working on a growing list of cleaning and maintenance tasks. Music to work by, bakery treats, and coffee will be in abundance. Bring your elbow grease and help us do our summer spiff-up!  
To sweeten the pot, each worker will be entered in a drawing for two passes to one lodge dinner!

**Help Needed!!**

Volunteers needed in one hour increments to work the Elks booth at the 7th Annual Veterans Music and Art festival June 24th (see insert). The booth is covered; a table and 2 chairs are provided. Need a strong person to help me with a brief set up at 9 am. The event starts at 10:30. Have secured help 10-noon but still need people to help out noon-5:30.  
  
To volunteer call Lu Hamilton at 718-710-2390 and leave a message or contact me via e-mail at [emergen\\_z911@hotmail.com](mailto:emergen_z911@hotmail.com).



**Grand Exalted Ruler,  
2016-2017  
Michael F. Zellen  
Message from the GER  
Grand Lodge Newsletter,  
May 2017**

**Youth Week, Mother's  
Day among activities for  
May.**

The Elks National Veterans Service Commission was established in 1946, immediately after World War II, with the sole mission of "Serving Our Nations Veterans." Though much has changed since then, the Elks' dedication to serve our veterans and military members in need has never changed.

Recently, I traveled to Washington, D.C., the epicenter of the military and veterans' affairs government agencies. Joined by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Paul Helsel and Government Relations team members Shawn Bullard and Jennifer Naaden, we met with top military and veteran officials. In these meetings, I received resounding gratitude and admiration for the Elks' service to the military and veterans.

The leaders asked the Elks to join them in addressing two challenges. First, numerous veterans are struggling to find employment. Frequently employers misunderstand a veteran's skill set and how to utilize it. This confusion has led to an increase of homeless veterans.

Second, there is a lack of awareness among the National Guard Bureau of the Elks' programs available for their members, veterans and their families.

How can your Lodge alleviate these problems? The answer will vary Lodge to Lodge, but here are some ideas. Your Lodge could facilitate career fairs, host workshops for business leaders on translating a veteran's skills into success, and provide veterans with professional skills training. Additionally, your Lodge could provide scholarships for veterans to further their education.

Since the onset of the War on Terror, National Guard members have been called to serve at an unprecedented rate. This has created difficulties for soldiers and their families. Vice Chief of the National Guard Bureau Lieutenant General Hokanson asked for greater collaboration between National Guard units and Local Lodges.

Hokanson has shared information on the Elks' programs, encouraging his Adjutant Generals to form relationships with Local Lodges. I ask every Lodge to reach out to your local National Guard unit and engage it on how to best support the soldiers and their families.

Look for more details of my D.C. trip in the July/ August edition of The Elks Magazine for more about the new partnerships with congressional, administration and military leaders.

May God bless our veterans and the men and women who serve in the military worldwide, and may God bless America. They will all be in the line of duty, and some of them may give their lives in that duty.

Thank you for Caring and Sharing and for continuing to demonstrate that, "Elks are Leading the Way."



**Exalted Ruler  
Lodge No. 80  
2017-2018**

**Laurie K. Montag**

Greetings!

June is upon us - halfway mark of the calendar year, and the beginning of summer!

Good news to share - your Ritual Team performed well at State, taking many individual honors. The Team will be headed to Reno in mid-July to represent our Lodge and the State at the National Ritual Competition. Please help the Team defray expenses by attending the upcoming Spaghetti Feed and Father's Day breakfasts.

I'd like to take this opportunity to encourage members to attend lodge meetings. Not only is the lodge's business conducted at these meetings, but many lodge activities are discussed and planned. It is the perfect time to meet and get to know other members! Watch the calendar for dates of our bimonthly meetings.

Please take the time to read your Elk-o-Gram thoroughly every month, as it is your directory to all lodge activities. We also have a Facebook page, and you can always get information online at [elks80.org](http://elks80.org). That said, hearty thanks need to go out to Larry Klein for his work in maintaining our website, and to Randy King for his work with the Facebook page.

Summer months are filled with fun and busy-ness. Stop in at your Lodge for a cool break! We are serving lunch and light dinner, and our gracious bartenders will be happy to help you.  
See you around the Lodge!



**President  
Drove No. 4**

**Wauneta Peterson**

The DOES had another successful flower sale. Thank you to those helping with the sale and purchasing flowers.

A Wine Trip is being planned for July 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. For more information contact Wauneta at [wvpeterson@windstream.net](mailto:wvpeterson@windstream.net) or call 402-483-1649.

Wauneta will be attending The DOES National Convention in Rochester, MN June 4- 7. Our next meeting will be June 19 at 7:00 p.m.

In Sisterly Love,  
Wauneta Peterson

## Knights Tales

## ...and now for the Quickies...

History of the Elks from Grand Lodge: Elks have always been moved in the presence of the flag of the United States of America, which is why, in 1907, Elks members adopted a resolution designating June 14 as Flag Day. In 1911, the Grand Lodge mandated that all local Lodges observe Flag Day with appropriate ceremonies, making the Elks the first national fraternal organization to require the observance of Flag Day. Finally, on August 3, 1949, President Harry S. Truman, himself a member of the Order, permanently designated June 14 as Flag Day by signing an act of Congress.

So Today, we can celebrate Flag Day due to the works of the Elks and other great Americans. When we fly the flag, think of what it represents, so that the past and future can be remembered and revered. George Washington once said about the flag: We take the star from Heaven, the red from our mother country, separating it by white stripes, thus showing that we have separated from her, and the white stripes shall go down to posterity representing liberty.

So remember the flag is not just a piece of cloth, it has great meaning and helped shape this country into what it is today, the Greatest Country on Earth.

So as always get active, go to the dinners, and just have fun. Remember Father's Day breakfast June 18 and Lodge dinner Saturday night June 24.

-Troy Pedersen, Leading Knight



If you ask 10 Elks what their favorite month was, at least half would say that June is. School's out and the days are long. But where did the first month of summer get its name? In Old English, this month was often referred to as simply "midsummer month."

In the seventeenth century, the Latin name for the sixth month crept into English, Iunius, meaning "sacred to Juno," the Roman goddess.

Juno is the Roman counterpart to the Greek goddess Hera. In Roman myth, she is the patron goddess of Rome. She is shown alternately as a cruel goddess (in Virgil's Aeneid) and the goddess of marriage and childbirth. In fact, summer weddings are still very popular, and they may have started because of the blessing that this goddess bestowed on those wed in her sacred month.

June is a great time to get away – Just don't forget about your Favorite Elks Lodge, there is still a lot going on. (Don't forget to take your Elks card and plan visits to neighboring lodges should you be traveling!)

As a side note: Do you realize that drug use among U.S. youths was cut in half since 1980 and is still on the decline? This was accomplished through education, prevention, law enforcement, and people like you. But we must keep up the efforts. Nations that have an acceptance to drugs (Great Britain and Spain) are experiencing increase rates (usage) of drugs like marijuana among their youth. I don't have any statistics on Colorado, DC, and Oregon, but I bet there is an increase in kids getting in trouble. We have a lot of things to offer kids through our organization. Drug awareness is one of the many.

Have a great June and We will see you around the Lodge.

-Harry Montag, Loyal Knight



... Been a busy month at the Lodge! Mother's Day Brunch was well attended, good to see so many familiar faces. Remember the Father's Day Brunch upcoming, it is also a fundraiser for our Ritual Team in their annual competition ... Law Enforcement Recognition dinner was a success, thanks to much work from the Larry's, Bobby Clinkenbeard, Harry and Laurie and many others ... Eagle Scout Committee has been handing out flags left and right, if this is something you'd like to be a part of, contact Randy King or Troy Pedersen, and ask how. Only takes a couple hours, and it is much appreciated by the Scouts and their families ... great way to promote the Elks too! ... Scholarship night is in the books for this year, thanks to all who came and supported the event ... Does Flower sale was successful, thank you to all who supported them ... be sure to check out the calendar for June, dinners upcoming, lots of activities at your Lodge ... if you haven't written a check for Hobart's Hedge Fund, please get that in, we need to finish paying off our dishwasher. It has been a real asset to our kitchen, far superior to other older equipment we have had. Please send your check to the Lodge Office and mark "dishwasher" in the memo area. We still have a couple thousand to go, let's get it done ... also, throw in your check for your dues. The more everyone gets their dues paid, the less time and effort required for Jerry or others to send letters, make calls, etc. ... come have lunch at the Jolly Corker Pub, open daily at 11, (except Sundays) all kinds of good things on the menu, and it supports our Lodge ... Girl Scout Recognition will be here before you know it, please contact P.E.R. Wirth if you'd like to be a part of it. This is a great ceremony at the Capitol Rotunda, followed by a reception at a nearby church ... we honor those Girl Scouts who have earned their Bronze, Gold or Silver Awards throughout the year ... be sure to check the birthday list in your Elk-O-Gram, you get a free drink at the Jolly Corker Pub on your birthday (bring your friends, makes it more fun!) ... See you around the Lodge...





## ...Our Members...

### Sickness & Distress:

Rich Todd - Recovering at home  
 Vicki Jurgens - Recovering at home  
 Bill Overman - Death of a loved one

### Deaths:

None

### Members for Consideration:

Jeff Vaneperen by Scott Schrage

### Members for Reinstatement:

None

### Members Initiated:

Ron Bonebright  
 Dr. William Jackson  
 Thomas Morrisey

**Hidden Number:** May's hidden number was 15750, Wade Kendall, hidden on the front page Teen of the Year photos.

**Membership Drawing:** The membership drawing for the May 3rd meeting was \$250. Dick Deets was the name drawn, and he was not present to win. The membership drawing for the May 17th meeting was \$250. Richard Lahr was the name drawn. He was not present to win.

The Jolly Corker Pub and Kitchen are open for lunch starting at 11:30 Monday - Saturday. Now also serving light suppers!

Come join us for phillies, soups, shrimp, burgers, salads, and more!

Remember that the Jolly Corker Pub closes at 9pm Monday - Thursday.

## Committee Reports

**Americanism:** No Report.

**Boy Scouts:** There were 2 Eagle Scout Ceremonies attended.

**Drug Awareness:** No Report.

**Girl Scouts:** The ceremony will be June 10th, 2pm, at the State Capitol. There will be 2 Gold, 19 Silver, and 42 Bronze Awards given out.

**Hide Program:** No Report.

**Hoop Shoot:** Nebraska did well at the National Shoot-off, our shooters placed 4th, 4th, 10th, 7th, and 3rd.

**House Committee:** 1) The chairperson for the Trustees is Scott Schrage, and the Secretary is Bob Sindlar. 2) A motion to give \$500 to the Youth for Christ Camp was made. It was voted upon and passed.

**Hunter's Safety:** 12696.

**ENF:** \$0.43 as of 5/8/17. This year's goal is yet unknown.

**Membership:** We will be working on the delinquents.

**Midget Football:** Registration runs through the end of June.

**Retention:** Membership is at 252, with 3 candidates pending. There are 51 members delinquent. Please encourage those who have not yet paid their dues to please do so.

**Scholarship:** Had a great turn out to the Youth Recognition Night at SECC. Received many good comments. About 420 were in attendance. A thank you note from Timber Long was read. Laurie thanked everyone who helped. Mary Brooks asked the Lodge to thank Laurie for all she puts into the Scholarship Program.

**Soccer Shoot:** No Report.

**Social Community Welfare:** No Report.

**Veterans Committee:** Took people to and from the airport for the Veterans Coming Home event in Washington DC. There were 650 Vets that made the trip and 7000 were there to greet them.

### 2017-2018

### Elks' Lodge #80 Officers

<b>Exalted Ruler.....</b>	Laurie Montag
<b>Leading Knight.....</b>	Troy Pedersen
<b>Loyal Knight.....</b>	Harry Montag
<b>Lecturing Knight.....</b>	Walter Powell
<b>Esquire.....</b>	Cheree Buesing
<b>Inner Guard.....</b>	Wahadi Allen
<b>Tiler.....</b>	Larry Jurgens
<b>Secretary.....</b>	Jerry Wilson
<b>Treasurer.....</b>	Wauneta Peterson
<b>Chaplain.....</b>	Mary Brooks PER
<b>Trustee 1 Year.....</b>	Terry Edwards PER
<b>Trustee 2 Year.....</b>	Robert Sindlar
<b>Trustee 3 Year.....</b>	Scott Schrage
<b>Trustee 4 Year.....</b>	Gerald Miles PER
<b>Trustee 5 Year.....</b>	Larry Schwindt PER
<b>Presiding Justice.....</b>	Amy Jacobsen PER



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## **Elk-O-Gram Editor's Note**

**Articles Due: June 22**

**Deadline is ALWAYS midnight of the Thursday after last meeting of the month!**

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

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

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## **Secretary's Corner**

It was my plan to say dues were paid at 100%, unfortunately that did not happen. There are 42 of you that need to send in your dues.

Your membership card should read 2017 – 2018, I encourage you to send in your payment as soon as possible so we do not incur the costs of sending out second notices. Your continued support to the Lodge and the community that it supports is very much appreciated. As I stated before, with the number of checks that have come in, and the subsequent mailing of membership cards, it is possible that I missed sending out your new card. If you feel that is possible, please contact me.

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: lodge80secy@yahoo.com. See you all around the lodge.

## **Happy June Birthdays!**

- 03 - Baruth, James
- 04 - Pumel, Glen D
- 05 - Poague, Lowell
- 06 - Holland, Daniel K  
Rhodes, Kevin T  
Stephenson, Dick
- 08 - Jensen, Rex S
- 11 - Duncan, Trevor J  
Hamilton, Luann  
Meyers, Gregory
- 14 - Buss, Sharon
- 16 - Pocock, Paul E
- 17 - Borchardt, Alex J  
Norris, Donald
- 19 - McCashland, Patrick  
Wiseman, D Kim
- 20 - Baker, W Richard
- 23 - Bliven, Jacob
- 26 - Ferneau III, Thomas  
Norris, Gregory
- 30 - Holland, Thomas D



**Did you see something missing? Was there something that the Lodge has coming up that you want to announce? Did you have an advertisement that you wanted to add? Do you have pictures from a recent Lodge activity? Have suggestions or updates to share? Please! Contact the Editors at: Eog.lodge80@gmail.com with any tidbits you would like to see included in your Elk-O-Gram.**

**Remember, if it's important, let us know! You might have been the only one to remind us...**

Please Join us **June 27** to assemble the Elk-O-Gram for July/August! Thanks to Laurie and Harry Montag, Larry Schwindt, Scott Schrage, Terry Edwards, Stephen Wirth, Randy King, and Maureen Sadler for folding the May EOG.

*Remember, many hands make light work...*

**Did you know that you can receive a free drink at the Lodge for your birthday? Come down to the Lodge to celebrate your birthday. Present this coupon and have a free drink on us! (Coupon is good two days before your birthday, on your birthday, and two days after your birthday.)**



### **2017-2018 Committees**

**Accident:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Activities:** Stephen Wirth PER  
**Americanism:** Mary Brooks PER  
**Auditing:** Vicki Jurgens  
**Benevolence:** Richard Todd PER/PDD  
**By-Laws Changes:** Chuck Meisinger PER/PSP  
**Christmas:** Larry Schwindt PER, Larry Bratt PER  
**Community Activities:** Mary Brooks PER  
**Drug Awareness:** Harry Montag  
**Eagle Scouts:** Randy King  
**Elks Memorial Day:** Larry Schwindt PER  
**ENF:** Larry Bratt PER  
**Flag Day:** Larry Bratt PER  
**Fraternal:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Gold Award:** Stephen Wirth PER

**Gov. Relations:** Richard Todd PER/PDD  
**Hide Program:** Larry Jurgens  
**Hoop Shoot:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Investigation:** Larry Bratt ER  
**Membership:** Larry Schwindt PER  
**Midget Football:** Scott Schrage  
**PER Association:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Public Relations:** Stephen Wirth PER  
**Ritual:** Stephen Wirth PER  
**Scholarship:** Laurie Montag ER  
**Soccer Shoot:** Doug Rienks PER  
**Standing Relief:** Mary Brooks PER  
**State Major Projects:** Larry Schwindt PER  
**Veterans:** Wade Graft  
**Youth Activities:** Laurie Montag ER

## **Flag Day**

### **Important Note**

Flag Day will be observed at 1 pm on Saturday, June 17. Please join us for this important occasion.

The B.P.O Elks was instrumental in the establishment of Flag Day, and this ceremony is both informative and inspiring for many reasons for those who attend.

## Something to Think About

Our new Lodge year began on April 1st, and a large number of our members have already paid their dues, but there are still 46 people that have not yet sent in their dues payment. Every year we lose some members because of non-payment of dues, and I always ask myself why. Some of the reasons for not renewing their membership may be "I just don't go to any of the events any more", "I don't have transportation" or "I don't have time because our kids are involved in so many things".

There are many organizations in our area that we aren't personally involved in, but we contribute to them because we know that they are organizations that help people in our community and the Elks Lodge is one of the premier organizations that generously gives back to kids and Veterans in our community. You may have first joined the Elks for the fun and fellowship that is enjoyed at the Lodge and club, but we also need to remember all of the good things that we do in the area. Please reflect on some of our programs: the midget football program, scholarships (we gave out over \$50,000 in scholarships this year), the Children's Christmas party, we give birthday cards and goodie bags to our Veterans, we give out over three thousand thesauruses to 5th graders, and we have many more programs that touch lives in the community.

I encourage you to think of your dues as a charitable contribution to an organization that makes a big difference in Lincoln and surrounding areas.

Please send your dues payment in as soon as possible so the Lodge can avoid the expense of mailing more dues notices, and can focus our time on the charitable programs that we provide to our community.

Larry Schwindt, Membership Chairman

## Awards Aplenty

During the Wednesday evening lodge meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Past Exalted Ruler Mary Brooks recognized the following individuals for their accomplishments during her 2016-2017 lodge year as Exalted Ruler. Trustees Scott Schrage and Robert Sindlar were presented the Outstanding Service Commendation from Grand Lodge for their continued dedication and service to Lincoln Lodge No. 80. Also, Secretary Jerry Wilson, Trustee Scott Schrage and Esquire Larry Bratt (PER) were recognized for bringing in 4, 5 and 3 new members, respectively. They each received a signed letter from GER Michael Zellen and a beautiful lapel pin to wear, inscribed "Grand Exalted Ruler Award, Leading the Way" for each to wear proudly. Not pictured are Randy King and PER John Aman who also brought in 4 and 3 new members, respectively. They will each receive their recognitions at a later date. During the evening the following State Awards were presented. ENF Chairman PER Larry Bratt and PER Mary Brooks are holding the plaque and certificate presented to Lincoln Lodge No. 80 for 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in contributions to the Elks National Foundation with a total of \$23.93 per member. The Grand Exalted Rulers goal was \$4.65 which Lincoln surpassed, soundly. Lincoln also received a 1<sup>st</sup> Place finish for the title of All-American Lodge. This award is presented to a lodge that excels in many different categories throughout the past year. Our membership can be very proud of the accomplishments of Lincoln's Officers, Trustees and Committees for all their hard work dedication and devotions within our lodge and community. PER Mary Brooks is holding the Nebraska All-American Lodge 2016-17 State Award as well as the 2016 – 2017 Grand Exalted Ruler's "Making A Difference Special Citation" in grateful recognition of meritorious participation in the 2016-2017 programs of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Congratulations to all.





## Two Well Deserved State Awards

What a team! Lincoln Lodge No. 80's current Treasurer Wauneta Peterson along with past Lodge Treasurer Duane Vanderbeek took top honors at the Nebraska Elks Conventions Award Banquet held in Grand Island on Saturday evening, April 29<sup>th</sup>. State Lodge Activities Chairman Kent Blum, along with State 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Larry Schwindt, presented Wauneta with the State's Officer of the Year Award and Duane with the State's Elk of the Year Award. These two have put in numerous hours working together to keep Lincoln Lodge No. 80 financially on the positive track. What a pleasant surprise and honor for both.

Congratulations Wauneta and Duane from all the Officers, Trustees, and members of Lincoln Lodge No. 80. Your devotion to our lodge is to be commended.



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## Elks Youth Recognition Day

Monday Evening, May 1st, 2017

The following photos represent the evening's event and some of the 38 scholarships awarded worth over \$40,000 from Lincoln Elks Lodge No. 80 and the Charitable Fund, Inc. and Board of Directors.



### Jack M. Jensen Scholarship

Tyler Johnson, Lincoln Southeast  
Taylor Van Vliet, Lincoln Christian  
Presenter: Jack M. Jensen

### BPO Does Drove #4 Scholarship

Iyleigh Boden, Norris  
Presenter: Wauneta V. Peterson



### Adam "Curly" & Leata Schwindt Scholarship

Brody Zabel, Norris  
Presenter: Larry & Connie Schwindt



### Damon London Scholarship

Ethan Schott, Pius X  
Presenter: Makenzie & Leandra London





**Elks Youth Recognition Day**



**Samuel R. & Virginia E. Carter Scholarship**  
 Kera Kottmeyer, Lincoln Northeast  
 Presenter: Samuel & Virginia Carter

**Alex "Bud" Dietrich Memorial Scholarship**  
 Trevor Holland, Lincoln Southeast  
 Presenter: Tom & Susan Holland



**Mathematics Award**  
 CJ Jurgens, Norris  
 Presenter: Vicki & Larry Jurgens, Wesley & Jan Durst



**Dinner Sponsorship**

As I was going through several boxes of old financial records to make sure they were old enough to be destroyed, I found some old Elk-O Grams, some of them dating back to 1999. One recurring theme I found while reading them, is that we have been charging the same amount (\$10.00) for our dinners since at least 1999, if not before. You might be asking yourself how we can still be charging the same low price for a dinner at the Lodge as we did 18 years ago, especially since the price of everything has been increasing over the years.

We have kept the dinners at this very reasonable price because some of our dinners are sponsored by individuals or groups of people, and the raffle prizes are also donated. Since the cost of the dinners is donated, the proceeds of these sponsored dinners are all profit. The proceeds of the dinners help pay for the utilities and the maintenance of the building, and as we all know, utilities as well as the cost of maintaining a building have also risen over the last 18 years.

To keep our dinners prices low, we need to reach 100% sponsorship for all of our dinners. If anyone would like to sponsor a dinner, or if a group of people would like to join forces to sponsor a dinner, please contact dinner committee chairman Harry Montag. The sponsors can choose the menu (or let the dinner committee choose the menu), and can participate as much or as little as they want in the preparation of the dinners.  
 Larry Schwindt

## Law Enforcement Recognition Dinner

On May 20<sup>th</sup>, during Law Enforcement Memorial week, the lodge held a Law Enforcement recognition dinner for our local Law Enforcement. There were 88 people that attended and enjoyed a great meatloaf dinner with the fixings along with brownies for dessert. Officer Brian Ward from the Lincoln Police Department, Deputy John Brady from the Lancaster County Sheriff's Department, and Trooper Ben Schropfer from the Nebraska State Patrol were all honored as being their department's Officer of the Year. A representative from each of their departments talked about them, and then each was presented a plaque from our lodge. Representative of the departments were Assistant Chief Brian Jackson from Lincoln Police, Sheriff Terry Wagner from Lancaster Sheriff's Office, and Lt. Kurt Von Minden from the Nebraska State Patrol. All the honorees and their families were very appreciative, along with the department representatives. I am hoping this will become a yearly tradition. Unfortunately, Officer Kristy Beitler from the University of Nebraska Police Department was unable to attend due to a family conflict, but will be presented her plaque later. Thanks to all who helped and attended the dinner to show our appreciation to these Law Enforcement Officers.



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## Lincoln Lodge #80's Newest Member

On Wednesday evening, 05/17/17, Dr. William Jackson was initiated into our order. Lodge Secretary, Jerry Wilson is his proposer. William has a Doctorate Degree in Psychology (PsyD) and is currently pursuing his 2nd Doctorate Degree, (EdD) in E-Learning so he can teach online. Besides wanting to get involved within our organization, William has been a very active member of the American Legion Post #3 and is current Chaplain of the American Legion at the State level as well. Congratulations Dr. Jackson for joining one of the greatest organization in the country.



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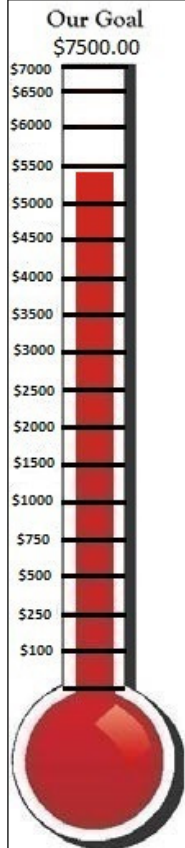
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# June 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3 Room Rented
4 Ritual Practice	5	6 Scout Meeting	7 Lodge Meeting 7p	8	9	10 Gold Awards @ State Capitol 2p Spaghetti Feed 6p
11 Ritual Practice	12	13 Burger Nite 5.30p American Legion	14 Room Rented	15	16	17 Flag Retirement Ceremony 1p
18 Father's Day Breakfast 8a-1p Ritual Practice	19 DOES Meeting	20 American Legion	21 Lodge Meeting 7p	22 American Legion	23	24 VA Music Festival Campfire Dinner 6.30p
25 Clean Up Day Ritual Practice	26	27	28	29	30	