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

Girl Scouts Aplenty!

Lincoln's Capitol rotunda was the place to be on Saturday, June 10th. Girl Scout Chairman for Lincoln Lodge No. 80, Stephen Wirth and Program Specialist for Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Tracy Stewart once again collaborated to make this year's ceremony a success. There were Gold Awardees (4), Silver Awardees (27), and Bronze Awardees (42) for a total of 73 who were honored as each were presented a recognition certificates and American flags for their efforts. In addition, Nancy Villas, who is associated with the Order of the Silver Trefoil, and her staff, put on a refreshing and delicious reception of punch and coffee, along with chocolate and white cakes and candied mints for all to enjoy.

Thank-you members of Lincoln Lodge No. 80 for your continued support of Girl Scouting in Nebraska. Pictured are the Gold, Silver, and Bronze awardees who were in attendance. Also, this ceremony gave recognition to the girls who became part of the 1,000 Club. Girls who sold 1000(+) boxes of Girl Scout cookies last year were eligible for induction.





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Summer 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!

Sat, July 24 (Summer Picnic) Sat, August 12 (Mystery Dinner)

Work Day

Sunday, August 20 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!

Mark your calendars!

The following dates are the upcoming fall home Football games. Sign up to work at least one, it's a great time!

Sept 2: 7pm Sept 16: 11am Sept 23: 2:30pm Oct 7: TBD Oct 14: TBD Nov 4: TBD Nov 24: 3pm

Thank You!!

Big hugs and thanks to all the volunteers for working the Elks booth at the Veteran's Art and Music Festival. Great representatives of our Lodge!

-Lu Hamilton



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.

This past year Donna and I have had the unique opportunity to travel from coast to coast and witness the noble work to which our Order is dedicated. Our Lodges and State Associations are a credit to our Order, communities and nation. As we traveled from state to state we were very impressed with the services the State Major Projects provide to our youth, veterans and communities.

While there are many great fraternal and charitable organizations nationwide, none can compare with the range of programs and services we offer to our communities and to those less fortunate or in need.

Our reach as Elks, and range of services and programs, is incredible. Those services include youth summer camps; medical facilities for children with cancer or cerebral palsy; and clinics and institutes for children with sight or speech issues; and many other physical and mental disorders. Elks also sponsor alternative schools; provide emergency shelters for abused and neglected children; provide mobile dental care; award scholarships; and provide career training for adults with developmental disabilities. We also award financial aid to community hospitals, Special Olympics, as well as Alzheimer's programs and services.

I had the opportunity to meet with military leaders and Veterans Administration officials during my visit to Washington DC, where I received resounding gratitude and admiration for the Elks' service to the military and for our veterans. I also visited numerous veterans homes nationwide, where the local administrators had nothing but praise for our volunteer VAVS representatives who visit and provide comfort, support and aid to those confined in veterans homes, hospitals and other facilities.

I also would like to share with you some encouraging news regarding membership. Over the past three years we have decreased our losses from 1.6 percent at the end of the 2015 Lodge year, to 1.1 percent at the end of the 2016 Lodge year, and to a projected 0.6 percent on March 31, 2017. We need to continue to work diligently on initiating new Members and decreasing lapsation in the coming year to finally turn that corner and experience our first gain since 1980.

Donna and I are honored to have served as your Grand Exalted Ruler and First Lady. We have had the pleasure of meeting many new friends, and enjoyed the gracious hospitality of all the membership during our visits.

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!

As I write this, I am sitting on our back porch in the company of my husband, enjoying an evening of cooler June air, and awaiting the fruits of his grilling talents. The wind chimes produce a gentle melody, and the Moody Blues play in the background. It's truly lovely - it's moments like these that make the daily grind worthwhile.

Tomorrow will be a full day, beginning with lodge members leading the Pledge and manning the booth at the V.A. Music Festival in our support of Veterans, while a few others converge at the lodge kitchen to prepare for our monthly dinner. Many of the same people who were at the Festival will also come help with the dinner.

Lincoln Lodge 80 has a long and proud history in the Lincoln community. Our hallmark is seen in such long-enduring Lincoln institutions as the Children's Christmas Party (#110 this December!) and Midget Football.

The emblem of the station of the Exalted Ruler is Fidelity. Fidelity is defined as, "faithfulness to a person, cause, or belief, demonstrated by continuing loyalty and support."

There are many upcoming activities that need your support. Take note of the monthly dinners - your attendance helps to support the lodge. The Memorial Stadium concessions stand that we staff, alongside the Does, also helps to support lodge activities, and we need volunteers to work each home game. Teenagers 16 and older are also welcome to help.

Your lodge needs your participation and support to stay strong and vibrant. Hope to see you around the lodge and at other activities. Wishing you a safe and patriotic Independence Day!

See you around the Lodge!



Drove No. 4

President

Wauneta Peterson

The DOES had their 96th National Convention in Rochester, MN. June 4-7, 2017. BPO DOES Drove # 4 received two 1st place awards for donations to the "Infinite Hero" and "Charitable Per Capita Award for 2016" and also received a per capita award for the "Dogs for the Deaf". Our Convention next year will be in Reno, NV.

The BPO DOES DROVE #4 Wine Trip is scheduled for July 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The bus will pick up in the Kohl's parking lot on 84th and "O" Street and return after the trip. The group will be traveling to Prime Country Winery at Denton, Superior Estates Winery in Superior and have lunch, then to Capitol View Winery at Roca and end at Deer Springs Winery on east Adams St. The Price is \$99.00 per person. Hurry and make your reservations. Payments MUST be in before July 13, 2017. Send to Wauneta Peterson, P.O. Box 82227, Lincoln, NE 68501 (name, address, phone number and payment). Questions call 402-483-1649 (leave message if no answer) or email wypeterson@windstream.net.

The fall football games will be starting in September. We need help at the games! The first game is Arkansas at 7 p.m. on 9/2; 9/16 is Northern Illinois at 11 a.m.; and 9/23 Rutgers Scarlet Knights at 2:30. Helpers must be 16 years of age and have a photo ID. Grandchildren, neighbors, and friends can do their duty to volunteer for a good cause. High School students usually need to do volunteer hours in the community. If you know some, have them get in touch with me. Please call Wauneta and let her know when you can volunteer. Thank you! In Sisterly Love,

Wauneta Peterson

Knight's Tales

Well as the heat and excitement of the next two months comes around us there are a number of events that we as Elks can be looking forward to but before we take a peek at those, let us reflect as to what the next two months literally mean.

July is the seventh month of the year in the Gregorian calendar and its predecessor, the Julian calendar. The month of July was previously called Quintilis in Latin since it was the fifth month in the ancient Roman calendar. The name of the month was changed to July in honor of Julius Caesar during the Julian calendar reform.

After his great uncle and adoptive father was assassinated, Augustus, who was often referred to as the first Roman emperor (though he never claimed the title for himself), he is most noted for leading Rome's transformation from republic to empire during the tumultuous years following the assassination of his great-uncle Julius. Augustus shrewdly combined military might, institution-building, and lawmaking to become Rome's sole ruler, laying the foundations of the 200-year Pax Romana (Roman Peace) and an empire that lasted in various forms for nearly 1,500 years.

Well for the next 60 days (seems short compared to the Pax Romana) we are blessed with representing our state at the Elks National convention. As a team we will try our best to perform well. Ritual has been a big part of our lives and I am sure that each and every member of your team thank you for the support and backing. Remember you can track our progress on Elks.ORG. After you log in, on the left hand side of the page, top just click on the National Convention. You will get a great glimpse of what is going on in our Organization. I am looking forward to viewing movie called an "An American Experience," a half-hour motion picture which tells the story of Elkdom's first 100 years, produced for the Centennial in 1968. I am also looking forward to learning something NEW! Seems that there is a newly created 150th Anniversary Lodge Toolkit. This tool kit will provide us with a wealth of new information. There are additional seminars like Ending Veteran Homelessness: How the Elks Can Help: Community Investments Program Lodge Grants Seminar; Elks & Scouting Awards Presentation; ENF Fundraising Chairs Annual Giving Seminar. Oh and did I mention the Ritualistic Finals Monday, July 17, 2017, 1:00 PM - 5:00 pm?

I would like to personally thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent our great lodge. We will bring back stories and smiles and perhaps other items.

This August we will get to witness one of the fascinations of our universe A TOTAL eclipse of the Sun on August 21, 2017 (It's a Monday.) As we all know the hot August days bring us closer to Husker Football but more importantly Our own Lincoln Midget Football.

In closing, please remember that even though we all are different, have beliefs in this or that, we share at least one common belief. That is: we are ELK'S!

As Our CREED states, 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.

We will see you around the lodge & Again Thanks!!!

-Harry Montag, Lecturing Knight



As the summer rolls around, the heat has turned up!

The celebration of our great country comes ever so closer, with fireworks, food, and drink. It is also a time for reflection of our life and country. To keep it close to our hearts and thoughts, as we celebrate independence in our own way. Playing golf, going swimming, having a campout, or just staying in our air conditioned homes.

We must remember our humble beginnings as a nation. One that has lasted just a few short years. The world is a much better place for it, with our guidance and our charitable giving.

Have a very happy Fourth of July. Keep in mind that football season is soon to be on the horizon, and volunteers are needed

to help keep the DOES concession stand going. Please contact me at tkingpinone@gmail.com or Wauneta Peterson to volunteer!

Get active, go to the dinners, and just have FUN.

-Troy Pedersen, Leading Knight

\$6000 now toward our goal of \$7500, let's get this debt retired! \$25, \$50,\$100, \$500, whatever you can do to help would be great. Be a Cake Baker, a Salad Shredder, or even a Sous Chef! Our dishwasher has been performing steadily, and is such an improvement over the old one...makes our dinners and daily lunches go so much smoother...we all benefit from it...See you around the Lodge ...

Greetings fellow Elks,

While I sit here composing this missive, Summer seems to be upon us with a vengeance. We are seeking ways to beat the heat.

As some of you know, I'm working for Lincoln Parks & Rec at Pioneer's Park. During the day, I have many opportunities to observe the animal from which our order derives its name. We refer to him as Bubba the elk.

Bubba displays a very keen perception when it comes to hot weather. He either lays in the deep shade or stands up to his belly in his pond. He does this while people stand in the sun watching him. I would say that Bubba is very perceptive when is comes to coping with hot weather.

See you in lodge.

-Walt Powell, Lecturing Knight

...and now for the Quickies...

...Been a busy month at the Lodge, some really good dinners and a lot of fun...

...Spaghetti feed was a great success, if you went away hungry it was your own fault ... Father's Day brunch was well attended, food was great, many hands make light work...Campfire dinner was a tasty one, fried chicken, corn on the cob, carrots, potatoes and trimmings all in your own tin foil pan...be sure to mark your calendar for the upcoming dinners, our Picnic Cookout with brats and burgers, beans and potato salad is on July 8...see ad elsewhere in your EOG for more information...Thanks to all the Elks who work in the kitchen for each and every dinner - you know who you are - your faithfulness does not go unnoticed or unappreciated ...

...Busy time for our Eagle Scout crew, been handing out flags at Eagle Ceremonies...thanks to Troy Pedersen for taking his time with that, he already wears a lot of hats at our Lodge...

...Managed to get our PA system repaired after finally tracking down a sneaky problem with it, no more crackles or intermittent mic's...

... The summer months are upon us, we've already seen nearly 100 degree temps and severe storms, and the coming months promise more of the same, so come on down to the Jolly Corker's Pub for a cold one, enjoy lunch during the weekdays, bring your friends...

...Thanks to Lu Hamilton for the excellent job she did organizing the Elks table at the Veterans Music Festival, and to all the Elks who volunteered to staff it...Thanks to Wade Graft for all his work on the Veteran's Committee ...

...Won't be long before Football season will be here, we need to step up and support our Does in staffing our concession stands...please sign up for at least one home game, the calendar is printed elsewhere in the EOG, it's a lot of fun, and anyone over 16 can help, they don't have to be Elks to volunteer...but what a great way to show them what the Elks are all about! Let Wauneta or Troy know if you want to help, we'll get you signed up and give you the details. Really is a lot of fun

...Thanks to the Ritual Team, who brought us luscious spreads on Mother's Day and Father's Day, as well as a great spaghetti feed - and kudos to all those who helped the team out by volunteering their time to help...The Ritual Team thanks the PER Association for sponsoring the Spaghetti Feed! And thanks also go to every Elk who donated toward defraying the team's travel expenses...

...Clean up day coming August 20, rumor has it P.E.R. John Aman will be cooking up burgers and dogs on the charcoal grille for those who come and volunteer...and I hear there will be a couple dinner tickets given away as a drawing amongst those who come...please come help, many hands make light work. Starts at 9'ish, goes until the work is done.. Cleaning kitchen, light fixtures, dusting the chandeliers, and a host of other "fix-up" stuff ...

...Our audit for our pickle card sales went very well, we got kudos for "doing it right" ... that's always happy news...

... The lodge wishes the Ritual Team much success as they prepare for travel to Grand Lodge to once again represent the State of Nebraska in competition...

...Speaking of sending in a check, please send in a check for Hobart's Hedge Fund, we are over



Midget Football

Football season is right around the corner with equipment check out the first of August and with practice starting soon after that. The first game will be September 10th with games starting at 10 A.M. and last game starting at 4:45 P.M. Admission is free, so come out and support the young men who are wearing the Elks Uniforms. Schedules will be posted at the Elks Lodge when we get them. GO ELKS !!



Water Table Volunteers

On Sunday, June 18th, Wade Kendle and his two sons Ben and Wyatt stopped by Lincoln Lodge No. 80 for the Ritual Team's Father's Day Breakfast Brunch fund raiser. The Kendles', who are associated with Pack 10 of the Boy Scouts, had just spent the morning handing out water bottles to the Sesostris Shrine's FezWalk at Holmes Lake. The FezWalk is a 5K run/mile walk to raise funds for the Shriner's Hospital for Children in Minneapolis, MN. Wade, is both an Elk and a member of the Shriners, and he and his boys were able to support both organizations on Father's Day. Thank-you for your volunteerism and your free-will donation to our Elks Ritual Team's Fund Raiser. Both are great organizations.



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Come and find out what tasty treat they come up with!

> Cocktails: 5.30p Dinner 6.30p Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door.

July 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2 Ritual Practice	3	4 Closed	5 Lodge Mtg 7p	6	7	8 Summer Picnic Dinner 5.30p
9 Ritual Practice	10	11 Burger Nite 5.30p American Legion	12 Room Rented	13 Grand Lodge Convention	14 Grand Lodge Convention	15 Grand Lodge Convention
16 Grand Lodge Convention	17 Grand Lodge Convention	18 Grand Lodge Convention	19 Grand Lodge Convention	20 Room Rented American Legion	21	22
23/30	24/31	25	26	27	28	29 DOES Wine Tasting Event

August 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Burger Nite 5.30p	9 Room Rented	10	11	12 Mystery Dinner 5.30p
13	14	15	16 Lodge Mtg 7p	17	18	19
20 Lodge Cleanup Day	21 DOES	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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...Our Members...

Committee Reports

Our members				
Sickness & Distress:	Americanism: No Report.			
Rich Todd - Home, Dialysis	Boy Scouts: No Report. Drug Awareness: No Report.			
Gerald Miles - Knee surgery	Girl Scouts: No Report.			
Vicki Jurgens - Eye surgery	Hide Program: No Report.			
	Hoop Shoot: No Report.			
Deaths:	House Committee: 1) There is a request from Pack 27 for \$547 to send			
Paul Eldien passed May 30	kids to camp. A motion was made and passed to give the money. 2) Mary Brooks did not receive reimbursement of \$400 from last year. A motion			
	was made and passed to reimburse her. 3) There was a motion to pur-			
Members for Consideration:	chase 2 booster chairs and a changing table, not to exceed \$350. The			
Seth Perrett by Mitch Becker	motion was passed. 4) The upcoming dinner schedule is as follows: July			
Members for Reinstatement:	8th (Summer Picnic), August 12th (Mystery Dinner), September 9th, Oc- tober 21st, November 12th (Veterans Brunch), and November 18th. 5)			
None	The DOES Annual Wine Tasting event will be July 29th. Cost \$99 which			
	covers costs of the tasting and transportation. 6) Volunteers are needed			
Members Initiated:	to staff Concessions at the Football games.			
None	Hunter's Safety: 15849.			
	ENF: \$3.67 as of June 11th, this year's goal is yet unknown. Membership: No Report.			
Hidden Number: 12696, hidden in the Com-	Midget Football: No Report.			
mittee Reports.	Retention: Total members 254, 39 Delinquent, 2 Candidates.			
•	Scholarship: No Report.			
Membership Drawing: There was no membership drawing	Soccer Shoot: No Report. Social Community Welfare: No Report.			
for the June 7th meeting. The membership drawing for the	Veterans Committee: Celebrated a successful Veteran's Music Festival.			
June 21st meeting was \$250. James Gordon was the name drawn and he was not present to win.				
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	Elks' Lodge #80 Officers			
The Jolly Corker Pub and Kitchen are open for lunch starting at 11:30 Monday - Saturday. Now also				
serving light suppers!	Exalted Ruler Laurie Montag			
	Leading Knight Troy Pedersen			
Come join us for phillies, soups, shrimp, burgers, salads, and more!	Loyal Knight Harry Montag			
	Lecturing Knight Walter Powell			
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Articles Due: August 17

Deadline is <u>ALWAYS</u> midnight of the Thursday after last

meeting of the month!

Articles can be sent to Maureen Sadler at:

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www.elks80.org

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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 **August 22** to assemble the Elk-O-Gram for September! *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.)



2016-2017 Committees

Accident: Gerald Miles PER Activities: Stephen Wirth PER Americanism: Mary Brooks ER Auditing: Imre Bonyhady Benevolence: Richard Todd PER/PDD By-Laws Changes: Richard Todd PER/PDD Christmas: Larry Schwindt PER, Larry Bratt PER

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Hoop Shoot: Gerald Miles PER

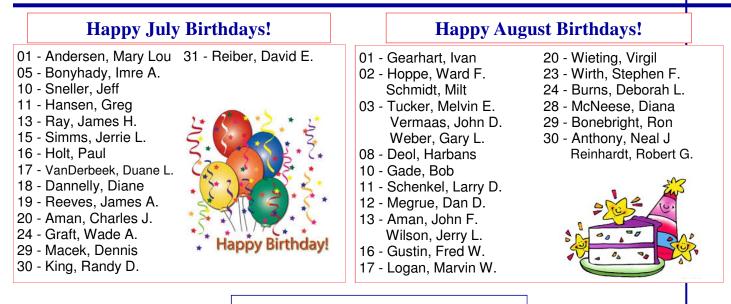
Secretary's Corner

ARE YOU A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING? If your membership card does not reflect "2017-2018"; then <u>PLEASE</u> send in your dues payments as soon as possible, there are only 35 of you that have not paid. I am trying to avoid the postage of sending out a second dues notice, just call me cheap!

The second dues notice will go out in August, and those <u>members who are past due will be published in the</u> <u>September newsletter</u>. Please note any changes to your phone number or other personal information that may have changed when returning your dues payment. Thanks!

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: <u>lodge80secy@yahoo.com</u>. See you all around the lodge.





"Call To Action"

Grand Exalted Ruler Michael F. Zellen requested a "Call to Action" in January of this year to organize a district wide special initiation in your district. Nebraska East DDGER Larry Bratt from Lincoln Lodge No. 80 answered the call and started contacting all 7 lodges in his East district of responsibility. As the month of March 2017 (lodge calendar end of the year) was upon him, DD Larry contacted the 7 lodges again to let their ERs know that Lincoln would hold a special initiation on March 26th for those potential members to be initiated in our facility. Lincoln Lodge No. 80 was the first and only lodge to respond to have a candidate (Neal Anthony) for the 26th date.

Congratulations to Neal Anthony whose picture is worthy to be printed once again. He and all the officers were

featured in the May 2017, EOG. DD Larry received the 2017 Grand Exalted Rulers All Star District Deputy Award for his dedicated efforts. As of today, on a national basis, we have had the fewest number of members dropped in over 35 years. GER Zellen sends his personal congratulations to you Larry and our state for your dedication to our Order and for your efforts concerning membership. Thanks for Kicking the Door Down and growing membership. Lincoln Lodge No. 80 salutes you as well.

Thank-You for stepping up to the call when asked by our Nebraska Association State Sponsor, PGER James McQuillan, as our Nebraska East District Deputy to the Grand Exalted Ruler. Pictured presenting DDGER Larry Bratt his special "All Star DD Award" is Exalted Ruler Laurie Montag.









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

