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Home of Past GER Vincent R. Collura, Past GER George B. Klein, Past Grand Secretary Jack M. Jensen, & Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight Bobby Clinkenbeard

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

## Installation of Officers

*Lincoln Lodge #80*

*Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks*

*cordially invites you to the public installation of*

*Troy K. Pedersen*

*Exalted Ruler Elect*

*and his fellow officers*

*For the Fraternal year 2018-2019*

*Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 3:00pm*

*5910 South 58th Street Lincoln, Nebraska*

*Reception following installation*

*Please RSVP*

*402.484.7284 or tkingpinone@gmail.com*

## Teen of the Year

Lincoln Lodge No. 80 held two Sundays in March to honor 27 local area Middle, Jr. High and Parochial School 8th graders for their commitment to excellence. One boy and one girl from each school was honored by their teachers, counselors, and principals who presented interesting information associated with their school selections. Each 8th grader selected received a beautiful laser engraved plaque along with a \$25 gift card. Teen of the Year Chairman and Master of Ceremony, PER Amy Jacobsen, assisted by Lodge Officers and Elks members, conducted a flawless two days of presentations to the honorees. Many hours of contacts and attention to detail go into each presentation. Refreshments and cookies were provided by the Youth Activities Committee. For more pictures of students, representatives, and the schools they represent, go to [elks80.org](http://elks80.org) and click on Youth Activities. Thank-You to Larry Klein, our Elks 80 Webmaster, for getting all pictures identified and posted. Photos by Public Relations Chairman, PER Stephen Wirth.



# Announcements

### Upcoming Dinners

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 April 7th:** Fish Fry

**Saturday May 5th:** Law Enforcement Recognition dinner

**Sunday May 13th:** Mother's Day Brunch

**Sunday June 17th:** Father's Day Brunch

### Scholarship Award Night

Be sure to circle Monday, May 7 on your calendar! That day kicks off Elks Youth Week, and is also Lodge 80's Youth Night at Southeast Community College gym.

We will recognize over 200 high school juniors for excellence, and will also award over \$50,000 in scholarships to local seniors.

You are welcome to attend - the celebration starts at 7:30.

### Give UNOS a thought...

Fact: Approximately 95 organ transplants take place every day in the US. UNOS is a non-profit organization who's mission it is, is to advance organ availability and transplantation to support patients through education, technology, and policy development.

April is National Donate Life Month, have YOU registered to be an organ and tissue donor? Take a look at what it takes: <https://unos.org/donation/register-to-be-an-organ-donor>



**Grand Exalted Ruler,  
2017-2018  
Malcolm J. McPherson Jr.  
Message from the GER  
Grand Lodge Newsletter,  
April 2018**

### **Youth Programs Build Character and Elks Spirit.**

It's hard to believe that Pat and I are already more than halfway through this journey. We have met so many Members of this outstanding organization and are constantly moved by the great work that you're doing in your states and local communities on behalf of Elks.

As we continue down the road, I want to take another moment to recognize an important part of Elkdom—our youth. As you might know, I got my start in the Elks at a young age, and I hope to inspire others to get involved early and build a foundation for the future.

With the Hoop Shoot National Finals happening in Chicago this month, there's no better time to remind ourselves that the young people in our communities are the future of Elks. More than a free throw basketball contest, the Hoop Shoot challenges kids both mentally and physically and is a constructive way to teach kids that hard work and practice can lead to reward— qualities that will help kids grow both inside and outside of the Elks. Likewise, the growing Soccer Shoot program is another way to instill these values in our children.

As the school year winds down, I encourage high schoolers to remain focused in their work and to consider applying for the many scholarship opportunities available through the Elks on the national, state, and local levels.

To our youngest Elks Members, it is your fresh perspective, positive outlook, and determination to succeed that will carry this organization into its next 150 years. I encourage all young Elks to get involved in their Lodges as much as possible and actively recruit new members. I can't wait to see the great things they will accomplish.

How will your Lodge invest in your youth this year? From scholarships to Hoop and Soccer Shoots to Antlers and the Youth Recognition Program, there are already so many wonderful national programs in place to support our young people. I look forward to seeing all the new ways you'll do so in your communities. See you out there!



**Exalted Ruler  
Lodge No. 80  
2018-2019**

**Troy Pedersen**

I would like to thank Past Exalted Ruler Laurie Montag for her leadership this past year. It takes dedicated people to help make this Lodge run smoothly! A shout out to the Lodge secretary Jerry Wilson, who truly makes the Lodge run day to day without a hitch.

And now it is time for a new ER. Troy Pedersen has been elected to help guide the Lincoln Lodge #80 thru the fraternal year 2018-2019. I would like to reintroduce myself. I was appointed Inner Guard by PER Larry Schwindt for the 2014 year, Chaplin by PER Larry Bratt for the 2015 year, appointed esquire by PER Gerald Miles for the 2016 year, elected as Loyal Knight in 2017 under PER Mary Brooks, and finally elected as Leading Knight under ER Laurie Montag in the 2018 year.

I ran for and was elected to be the ER for this upcoming year. I am looking forward to the 2018-2019 fraternal year and working with the committee chairmen to help make the Lodge work and grow as we know it can. Lincoln Lodge #80 was started in 1888, so 2018 is a perfect time for growth of the Lodge. Not just in numbers, but by the good works we do and the public needs to know about it! So on April 2nd 9:45am at the State Capitol the Governor of the GREAT STATE OF NEBRASKA will have an ELKS proclamation on the ELKS 150 years of ELKDOM. If you have some time, come on down to the Capitol building. It is open to the public, so the more the merrier! Finally, I would like to personally thank Randy King for sponsoring me, PER Doug Rienks for my initiation, PERs Larry Schwindt and Larry Bratt for getting me involved in being a Lodge officer!!

Mark down Saturday April 14 at 3:00pm for the installation of lodge officers. All members and family are invited. Heather and I look forward to seeing you there!

### **Secretary's Corner**



**Jerry Wilson**

Happy New "Lodge" Year! Yep, April 1st marks the beginning of a new year for the Elks Lodge, and our new Exalter Ruler, Troy Pedersen.

This is also a time for the renewal of your Elks Lodge New Year membership. And of course, you have already sent in your payment! The dues statements were sent out late February. If you did not get a statement, please let me know. Your continued support and promptness in paying is very much appreciated.

As I write this, the end of March is 10 days away, and most of you have already paid your dues! Thank you very much! For those who have not paid, please send in your dues payment, it would be great to be 100%!

In reviewing the membership records, we have a lot to be proud of! We have 5 individuals that are long time members and should be recognized. Don Wendelin, a member for 68 years, Richard Lahr and John Robel, members for 67 years, Bob Taylor, a member for 65 years (still working cutting hair at the VA), and Ben Novicoff, a member for 64 years. If you know these individuals, please extend your hand and congratulate them!

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.

## Knights Tales

Happy April to all.

I soon will be assuming my new position of Leading Knight and our Lodge will be led by our new Exalted Ruler, Troy Pedersen. I am quite sure that we are all in for a great year. I had the pleasure of attending our Leadership conference with Troy and our past Exalted Ruler (My partner, best friend, and I would be very remorseful not to mention my Wife of 40 years this April) Laurie Montag.

The seminar was a great learning session and our lodge was represented well. Both Larry's gave outstanding presentations, Mary, soon-to-be First Lady of the state was there. Jack represented our State Sponsor, our soon to be State president was busy too. Our past state Presidents gave us a vast abundance of knowledge. I am very glad that I took time off to attend.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Grand Island Lodge #604. Last year they initiated a total of 43 new members for a 20% increase in membership. This year they are on track to surpass that number.

Did you realize that our Order spends more than \$80,000,000 every year for benevolent, educational, and patriotic community-minded programs? Our donations are far reaching in such fields as benefiting special needs children, sponsoring Elks National Foundation scholarships, scouting, athletic teams, veterans' works, a national "Hoop Shoot" free-throw contest involving more than 3 million children, physical and occupational therapy programs, and patriotic programs.

The youth of our country have always been important to us. It is for this reason the Elks Drug Awareness Education Program was launched to warn primary grade students and their parents of the dangers in drug use. Additionally, every lodge observes June 14th as Flag Day, a tradition which we began in 1907 and was later adopted by the Congress as an official observance.

Our National Drug Awareness Program strives to teach all children and parents about the dangers of illegal drug use and prevent the abuse of legalized and prescription drugs. As the largest volunteer drug awareness program in the United States, the program relies on state, district, and Lodge volunteers to promote a drug-free lifestyle.

Who wouldn't want to be a member? We have a population base of over 280,000, Big Red Supporting, hardworking individuals that live in our fair city. Why not ask a friend to join?

Well, it's soon to be April and as we all know April Showers do bring may flowers. The name April likely comes from the Latin word aperire, meaning to open. It was named this because this was the month when the flowers start to open. Why not use this April to open our Lodge! We have a lot to be thankful for. We are involved in a lot of services. If you're looking for something to do, participate and be proud.

I have been out of town working and I always look forward to returning to good old Lincoln, NE. Going to the lodge to see friends and perhaps to meet new ones. Thanks for taking your time to assay my parse.

We will be seeing you around the lodge.

-Harry Montag, Leading Knight



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

... St. Patty's day fete' was amazing, P.E.R. John Aman really outdid himself this year, corned beef was awesome, cabbage was cooked to perfection, potatoes, carrots, and rye bread were superb, and the desserts were to die for. If you missed this one, you really missed it. There was a great turnout, good to see so many familiar faces at the Lodge, and many new ones! A Big Thanks to all that helped, Pat and Kim, Larry and Larry, Bob Sindlar, Scott Schrage, Jason Jirsa, and many others who pitched in and helped pull this off. Charles did the table decorating and some of the heavy lifting ... Next dinner is the Fish Fry on April 7, you won't want to miss this. Scott Schrage heads up this event, and always manages to pull together a great crew for it. Fish not your fave? No problem, there'll be chicken strips upon request. Call the Lodge for reservations, it really helps to calculate the amount of food needed ... upcoming is Mother's Day brunch in May, and Father's Day brunch in June. Watch your Elk O Gram for specific dates and times ... Installation of Officers will soon be upon us, that is April 14th. Bring the family, this is a public event ... There are still a few open positions for Lodge Officers, so if it interests you to serve our Lodge, please contact upcoming E.R. Troy Pedersen and discuss ... it's a great way to give back to your Lodge, build camaraderie, practice your speaking skills, and you get to wear a nifty red jacket! ... Nice to see our flagpoles back in action, please thank Larry Jurgens when you see him, he did the legwork to make that happen ... we have a new bartender, Janis Ireland is on staff now, please make her feel welcome. Diane Z. accepted another position. Diane still remains a Doe, so you'll still see her cheery smile around the Lodge ... Sam Carter mentioned at Lodge that a Jeopardy question was read the other night had to do with the fact the Elks created Flag Day in 1907. Apparently one of the question writers for Jeopardy is from Lincoln! ... Trustees voted to give another hundred to the backpack program at the F St. Rec Center. This is a very worthwhile effort that funds food for children and their families over the summer. The need is great. You'd be surprised how many families are without food on the weekends for their kids ... Lou Hamilton continues to blaze trails with the Veterans program, the gathering of supplies for the occupants of the Victory Apartments is off to a good start. Be sure to ask her how you can help. Perfect way to volunteer a little time and effort and certainly for a good cause ... the Trustees also presented a request for assistance in helping with the cost of training a service dog for an autistic child, and that was approved ... We are still one person short for the Husker Spring game for Concessions, that is April 21st with an 11am kickoff. So if you'd like to help, please contact Wauneta Peterson or Randy King, they'll get you lined up ... Does Drove #4 will be initiating three new Does in April, this makes 6 new members in the last few months! Did you know that Elks can be Does too? The cost is nominal, they meet monthly and provide support for the Elks, and have a great time doing it. Just ask one to be one! ... If you'd like to get your Elk O Gram via email instead of a paper copy, just notify Jerry Wilson, we can make that happen. You'll get your newsletter days ahead of the U.S. mail, and it's in color! Saves the Lodge postage, and every little bit helps ... Also, if you have a business and would like to advertise in the Elk-O-Gram, see Randy King. The cost is nominal, it helps underwrite publishing, and it's a good way to promote your company ... please patronize and thank those who do advertise, let them know you see their ads and appreciate their support of your Lodge ... Ed Holloway posted a note elsewhere in this edition about the possibility of bringing Karaoke to the Lodge, so if this sounds fun to you, let him know, his email is in the article. This could be a lot of fun, bring your friends, pack the Pub and have a few laughs ... remember, the Lodge is available for you to rent for parties, family gatherings, social events, etc. Contact Jerry Wilson for more info. As a member you get it at a reduced rate ... warmer weather is finally upon us, so come to the Jolly Corkers Pub for lunch or short order, adult beverages and friendly conversation. Your patronage of our Pub is needed. Remember the old adage, "use it or lose it". Let's not let that happen ... See you at the Fish Fry on the 7th! ...



## ...Our Members...

### Sickness & Distress:

Ron Bonebright - abdominal surgery

### Deaths:

Ervin Vosta, passed March 8, 2018

### Members for Consideration:

None

### Members Reinstated:

Sarah (Pohlmeier) McKee

### Members Initiated:

Christopher Wells

**Hidden Number:** March's hidden number was 15787, Eric Ebeler, hidden in the DOES Installation picture on page 6.

**Membership Drawing:** The membership drawing for the March 7th meeting was \$61. Lyle Paul was the name drawn, and he was not present to win. The membership drawing for the March 21st meeting was \$80. Franklin Mills was the name drawn and 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 two Eagle Scout ceremonies on March 4th. There were three Eagle Scout ceremonies on March 6th. The Eagle Scout ceremony for the grandson of Bud Dietrich was held on March 25th.

**Drug Awareness:** No Report.

**Girl Scouts:** No Report.

**Hide Program:** The hides are gone! Looking for an outlet for the tanned hides that were also collected.

**Hoop Shoot:** No Report.

**House Committee:** 1) Next year's budget was presented to the membership for review. It will be voted upon at the next meeting. 2) The upcoming dinner schedule was finalized; June 23, July 14, July 28 (VA), and August 18. 3) Alexis Gates has asked if we could help defray her cost of attending Cheerleading Camp in Florida. A motion to donate \$100 was voted upon and approved. 4) A request for assistance in helping with the cost of Service Dog Training for an Autistic child was received. A motion to donate \$500 was voted upon and approved.

**Hunter's Safety:** No Report.

**ENF:** \$17.89 as of 3/11/18. This year's goal is \$4.75.

**Membership:** No Report.

**Midget Football:** No Report.

**Retention:** Membership is at 242, 1 reinstatement pending, 0 candidates pending. 89 members have already paid next year's dues!

**Scholarship:** 106 Scholarships were scored on February 25th. The restricted scholarships are now being scored.

**Soccer Shoot:** No Report.

**Social Community Welfare:** No Report

**Veterans Committee:** 1) Our Beacon Grant request in support of the "Heroes Into Homes" program was approved. 2) The Veteran's Committee is sponsoring a dinner on July 28th.

### 2018-2019 Elks' Lodge #80 Officers

<b>Exalted Ruler.....</b>	Troy Pedersen
<b>Leading Knight.....</b>	Harry Montag
<b>Loyal Knight.....</b>	VACANT
<b>Lecturing Knight.....</b>	VACANT
<b>Esquire.....</b>	VACANT
<b>Inner Guard.....</b>	VACANT
<b>Tiler.....</b>	Larry Jurgens
<b>Secretary.....</b>	Jerry Wilson
<b>Treasurer.....</b>	Wauneta Peterson
<b>Chaplain.....</b>	VACANT
<b>Trustee 1 Year.....</b>	Randy King
<b>Trustee 2 Year.....</b>	Scott Schrage
<b>Trustee 3 Year.....</b>	Gerald Miles PER
<b>Trustee 4 Year.....</b>	Larry Schwindt PER
<b>Trustee 5 Year.....</b>	Laurie Montag PER
<b>Presiding Justice.....</b>	Amy Jacobsen PER



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

**Articles Due: April 19**

***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**

**Created and managed by Webmaster Larry Klein**

**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 Editor 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 **April 24** to assemble the Elk-O-Gram for May!  
*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.)**



### **2018-2019 Committees**

**Accident:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Activities:** Stephen Wirth PER  
**Americanism:** Mary Brooks PER  
**Auditing:** Vicki Jurgens  
**Benevolence:** VACANT  
**By-Laws Changes:** Chuck Meisinger PDD, PSP, PER  
**Christmas:** Larry Schwindt 2nd VP, PER, Larry Bratt PDD, PER  
**Community Activities:** Mary Brooks PER  
**Drug Awareness:** Harry Montag  
**Eagle Scouts:** Randy King  
**Elks Memorial Day:** Larry Schwindt 2nd VP, PER  
**ENF:** Larry Bratt PDD, PER  
**Flag Day:** Larry Bratt PDD, PER  
**Fraternal:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Gold Award:** Stephen Wirth PER

**Gov. Relations:** Troy Pedersen ER  
**Hide Program:** Larry Jurgens  
**Hoop Shoot:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Investigation:** Larry Bratt PDD, PER  
**Membership:** Larry Schwindt 2nd VP, PER  
**Midget Football:** Scott Schrage  
**PER Association:** Gerald Miles PER  
**Public Relations:** Stephen Wirth PER  
**Ritual:** Stephen Wirth PER  
**Scholarship:** Laurie Montag PER  
**Soccer Shoot:** Doug Rienks PER  
**Standing Relief:** Laurie Montag PER  
**State Major Projects:** Larry Schwindt 2nd VP, PER  
**Veterans:** Luann Hamilton  
**Youth Activities:** Laurie Montag PER



## **Vet's Corner**



### **Operation Spring Cleaning!**

A big THANK YOU to all who donated supplies for Operation Spring Cleaning! Don't let the end of the month stop you from continuing to keep the vets in mind as you do your own shopping and notice incredible savings. Here is the list for March and a preview of May's drive for personal hygiene products (to note, things listed in italics are new additions!):

Drop off your donations anytime in the card room and we will have a special area available for them at the Fish Fry dinner as well. We will package and deliver them as they become available. There will also be a jar for cash donations available as well. Thanks for anything you can do!

Trash can liners (13 gallon)	Fabric Softener
Dishwasher detergent	Glass cleaner
Dish Soap	Paper Towels
All Purpose cleaner	Kleenex tissues
Toilet Bowl cleaner	<i>Shampoo</i>
Laundry Detergent	<i>Shower Gel</i>

"So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."

To volunteer, make suggestions, or ask questions:

luannahamilton@gmail.com

-Lu Hamilton

Fellow members,

Being new to the organization and not knowing many of you, I felt adding this letter to the Elk-O-Gram would be a great way to get your input. After a committee meeting recently, I had a conversation with a couple other members about the possibility of providing karaoke at the pub.

Before committing the resources, I would like to know the level of interest there may be from other members who may or may not frequent the pub regularly, and what event times may work for the majority. If you have an interest and would be willing to join in and have some fun, email me at ed.k0rpt@gmail.com and let me know!

Ed Holloway

### **Happy April Birthdays!**

- |                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 01 - Searle, James    | 26 - Krupicka, Ken      |
| 07 - Bray, William A  | 27 - Klein, Larry J     |
| Gustin, Chad          | 28 - Ehlers, Angela     |
| 05 - Travis, Brent    | 29 - Dondlinger, Walter |
| 09 - Caudy, David W   |                         |
| 12 - Schrage, Scott   |                         |
| 13 - Montag, Harry    |                         |
| Nowak, Bill           |                         |
| 15 - Jacobsen, Amy G  |                         |
| 16 - Roper, Thomas H  |                         |
| 18 - Allen, Wahadi A  |                         |
| 21 - White, Justin    |                         |
| 22 - Smith, Dennis K  |                         |
| 24 - Biggs, William J |                         |
| Durst, Wesley N       |                         |
| 25 - Sadler, Kevin J  |                         |



## ...To Our Absent Members...

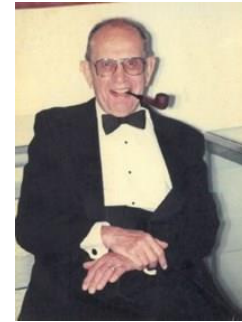
Two of our devoted members passed during February and March of this year. James Allen "Jim" Reeves, 81 of Lincoln, born July 19th, 1936 passed away on February 12th and Ervin W. Vosta, 95 of Lincoln, born October 2nd, 1922 departed on March 8th. James was a 60 year member and Ervin was a 50 year member of Lincoln Lodge No. 80. Mr. Reeves' service was conducted by Roper and Sons Mortuary on Saturday, February 17th and Mr. Vosta's graveside service was conducted by Lincoln Memorial Park on Tuesday, March 13th. Remember, Lincoln Lodge #80 will conduct a memorial service Sunday December 2nd, at 2 p.m. to honor all our departed members.



James A. Reeves



Elks Memorial Wreath



Ervin W. Vosta

THE VACANT CHAIR: We shall meet, but we shall miss them, there will be the vacant chair, but though we no more possess them, still our hearts their memory bear. But a while ago we gathered, friendship beaming in each eye, now the golden cord is severed, they have passed to realms on high.  
TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS.

### Elks National Foundation News

It is now official! After a few months of trying to corral the following individuals together to receive their special ENF pins, local Lodge and State ENF Chairman, PER Larry Bratt pulled it off. And what better time and place to make the presentation was at our annual Saint Patrick's Day dinner? Receiving their Youth Pins (donating for 3 years in a row) are Paul Holt, Jacob Bliven and Gregory Norris. Standing in front is Milt Schmidt who received his Great Heart Pin (donating for 2 years in a row). Decked out in his plaid Kilt and good luck beads is ENF Chairman Larry Bratt. Thanks to all for keeping the Great Heart of Elksdom alive and throbbing.

The Elks National Foundation created the Road to Renewal recognition program in 2016 by offering a wonderful recognition opportunity – the Road to Renewal Pin Set. Following your first gift to ENF in the previous fiscal year, you will then receive one of the pins in the set as



follows for your continuous support: 2 Years: Great Heart Maroon Pin, 3 Years: Youth Blue Pin, 4 Years: Veterans Green Pin, and 5 Years: Community Multi Color Pin. I encourage each and every one of you to collect all 4 pins and wear them proudly knowing that your dollars are monies well spent for the good of so many.

### Fish Fry!!

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS



The Annual Fish Fry will be **April 7th**. It will be a night of GREAT Food, Great fellowship, and AWESOME raffle prizes.

The Cocktail hour will start at 5:30 pm with Dinner being served at 6:30 pm

This year you will be treated to Fried Pollock, Homemade Baked Beans, Coleslaw, a pickle spear, and Rye Bread. This is all topped off with Homemade Brownies and Ice Cream for Dessert.

Cost per person will be \$10.00 and the evening will be sponsored by friends of the late Rick Logan. Hope to see you there!!





## St. Patrick's Dinner Highlights



On Saturday, March 17th, another Job Well Done by PER John Aman and his volunteer staff. A total of 253 lbs. of corn beef brisket, 87 lbs. of red and white potatoes, 50 + lbs. of cabbage, and 45 lbs. of diced carrots were prepared, cooked, and consumed or sold to the 90+ individuals attending. Rounding off the dinner were cupcakes and ice cream. The dining room was decorated festively for the occasion by Charles Aman. Raffle tickets were sold by Larry Bratt and Larry Schwindt to those participants wanting a chance at the prize table. The five mystery boxes were chosen by five ticket winners who then opened them to report on their booty. Among the prizes were gift certificates, a number of lbs. of cooked corn beef briskets, and a paid up membership (dues) for the 2018-2019 lodge year. The dinner takes a lot of planning and preparation, however, the complements of an excellent dinner by so many was priceless. The Elks salute the William's family (Gene, Emily, Jackson and Ryder) once again for providing their clean up services in support of raising funds for their boy scout troop.



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# Fish Fry Saturday, April 7

**Fried Pollock, Homemade Baked Beans, Cole-slaw, Pickle Spears, Rye bread and Brownies and Ice-cream dessert**

Cocktails: 5.30p Dinner 6.30p Tickets: \$10  
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## 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Elks Pancake Feed / Does Bake Sale Results

On Sunday, January 28th, 2018, we completed our 13th Annual Pancake Feed. Once again, this event was another success. We served over 350 people pancakes with maple syrup, whipped butter and a variety of fruit toppings, pork sausage links, cranberry and orange juices, chocolate and white milk, whip cream, coffee and water. Offsetting the cost of this event were the following sponsors: IHOP, Pepsi – Cola, Sysco/Lincoln, Super Saver, Roper & Sons, McCashland Kirby Insurance, and Trade Center Association. A total of \$2,336.50 was raised before expenses. During the feed, we also held a 50/50 drawing. Mary Books and Brad Norton sold \$300.00 worth of tickets at a dollar a piece. The winner of the 50/50 drawing was Fred Gustin, who generously donated his winnings (\$150.00) back to the scholarship fund. Letters of appreciation were sent out to each of our dedicated sponsors for stepping up and assisting once again with products, services, and financial support. Stephen Wirth, PER provided the rental on the pancake griddle from the Kiwanis Club of Lincoln. PERs Larry Bratt, Larry Schwindt and Stephen Wirth, along with Chris Clark and Jonathan Magill provided griddle pick – up and delivery to the lodge. PERs Schwindt and Wirth, Grey Meyers, Troy Pedersen and son Lars ensured the griddle was then loaded and returned. Many people helped out from the start on Friday through Monday to pull this off for the 13th time. This event rolls like a luxurious automobile. In addition, DOES Drove No. 4 raised \$215.00 on bake sale. Thanks to DOES Drove No. 4, President Wauneta Peterson for getting the baked goods organized. Many thanks go out to the following volunteers who never hesitate when asked to help. From B to Z: Larry Bratt, Amelia, Elia and Mary Brooks, Chris Clark, Harlie Davis, Julia Fomernko, Larry Jurgens, Randy King, Dave Kirby and daughters Allison and Breanna, Mark Long, Cruz Longoria, Brad Norton, Charles Meisinger, Greg Meyers, Harry and Laurie Montag, Bill Palmer, Wauneta Peterson, Jody Schrage, Milt Schmidt, Larry Schwindt, Bob Sindlar, Kim and Pat Wiseman. Also, we must not forget our bartenders, Roxy Thomas, Nancy Halsted and Diane Zabokrtsky for selling pancake feed tickets in advance to patrons at the Jolly Corker Pub. Special thanks go out to Larry Klein, our web-service master, for posting all the special event announcements on our elks80.org website. Lincoln Lodge #80 Scholarship Fund, Inc. thanks everyone once again for making the pancake feed a success and helping to increase the value of many scholarships we continue to sponsor. Stephen F. Wirth, PER, Pancake Feed Chairman and Wauneta Peterson, DOES President, Bake Sale Chairman



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## Bartender Changes

Weekend bartender Diane Zabokrtsky has resigned to take on other responsibilities, in which we wish her much success. She'll still be around as a Doe, and with her husband, fellow Elk Charles, so we're happy we'll still get to see her on the patron side of the bar!

Please welcome our new weekend evening bartender, Janis Ireland! We'll be telling you a bit more about Janis in the next issue. Janis will be training alongside Nancy for a few shifts, and will assume her weekend evening duties on Friday, April 6. Please extend a warm Elk welcome to Janis!

Please note: The bar will close at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 31, and resume normal weekend evening hours on Friday, April 6.

## Scholarship Thank You's

A big thanks to the dedicated Elks and Does who stepped up to do the very necessary work of reviewing scholarship applications on February 25th: Kim Wiseman, Pat Wiseman, Mark Long, Susan Lien, Harry Montag, Lu Hamilton, Larry Bratt, Larry Schwindt, Scott Schrage, Jody Schrage, Troy Pedersen, and John Aman all attended and scored over 100 applications.

Make sure you hold open Monday, May 7 at 7:30 pm for our Youth Night Recognition at Southeast Community College gym. We'll recognize outstanding Juniors and our scholarship winners. You are welcome to join in the festivities!

## Your Newest Elk

New member Chris Wells, owner of Lincoln Remodel, Inc. Chris is married with two kids and is looking forward to participating in Lodge activities and charitable work. Chris is a very talented home remodeler. Please welcome him when you see him around the Lodge, which I am sure you will frequently.



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## Elks 150th Birthday

This last summer at National convention in Reno Nevada, ELKS Grand Lodge gave a challenge to the local lodges to come up with a way to celebrate 150 years of ELKDOM. Then-Leading Knight Troy Pedersen was tasked to head up the 150 year celebration for Lincoln Lodge #80. The idea of treat bags was suggested, and since February had Valentine's Day coming up "treat bags" morphed into Valentines goody bags. But who should we give them to? Troy called around and found Tracy Christensen, Donor Relations Specialist for Cedars Home for Kids located on Pioneers Blvd in Lincoln, across from Homes Lake. Tracy was a great person to work with, very friendly, and helpful. She was excited at our idea of sharing our gift with the kids.

On Saturday, February 3 ER Laurie Montag, Loyal Knight Harry Montag, Luann Hamilton, Leading Knight Troy Pedersen, Helpers from The Jolly Corkers Pub, and some late help from Stephen Wirth, made and stuffed 150 Valentines for the kids at Cedars. This turned out to be a very worthwhile and fulfilling operation. We hope to continue this relationship with Cedars for next Valentine's Day. Below is an e-mail from Tracy. It speaks volumes!

Troy,  
 They were a hit – thank you so much! You will be receiving thank you's from the little ones in a week or so. It is always special when the teens are included in such a holiday. Some of them have never experienced celebrating Valentine's Day before.  
 We would love to be recipients again next year! Just let me know closer to the time if you choose us again.

Thank you so much!  
 Tracy Christensen





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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!

# April 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Ritual 6.30p	3	4 Lodge Mtg 7p	5 Ritual 6.30p	6	7 Fish Fry Dinner 5.30p
8 Ritual 4p	9	10 Burger Nite 5.30p American Legion	11 Room Rented	12	13	14 Officer Installation 3p
15 Ritual 4p	16 DOES	17 American Legion	18 Lodge Mtg 7p	19 American Legion	20	21 Room Rented
22 Ritual 4p	23	24	25 Ritual 6.30p	26	27 State Convention - Kearney	28 State Convention - Kearney
29 State Convention - Kearney	30					