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LODGE #80, EST. 1901

*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

**75,000 New Elks? 30-year High!**

The BPOE has made its strongest progress in membership since 1980. We were down just 4,155 members or 0.5 percent. We added 75,709 new members and reinstatements.

This marks four consecutive years of improvement! We again set a new national record for the fewest membership cancellations.

We began this fraternal year with 7,072 fewer delinquents than the previous year and 26028 fewer delinquents than three years ago.

Initiatives such as the All American Lodge Contest are great for driving membership and promoting Elkdom. Osage Community, MO lodge #2705, the 2nd place winner in Division IV, held fundraisers to provide groceries and toiletries for 100 families and toys for 378 children at Christmas. The lodge also used a Gratitude Grant to fund Project Prom/Graduation for three high schools and an Anniversary Grant to send two teens to flight camp. Osage Community welcomed 100 new members over the past year for a net gain of 33 new members.

We've made a three-year improvement of \$2.6 million while reducing delinquency in our lodges. Thank you for all you have done to help make that happen!

**Record for Donations Could Be Even Higher**

The 2017-2018 Membership Report was filed online via CLMS2. As of March 31, the Order ended the year with a total membership of 770,937, for a total loss of 4,155 (-0.5%). It is the smallest one-year decline in more than three decades. With more attention to our membership, the Order can show a gain in the next couple of years.

Totals from the Annual Charity Reports show the Order donated an all-time high of \$675,985,245 in time, mileage, and in-kind gifts. This dollar amount would have been even greater, but 30 lodges did not file a charity report. Again, this year, with everyone's help, we will strive to reach that elusive 100% reported.

The San Antonio Grand Lodge Convention and 150th Anniversary celebration has come and gone. Thanks to the Texas Host Committee, the volunteers, and Past Grand Exalted Rulers Charles F. Williams and John D. Amen for providing the manpower for another successful convention.

Now, it is onward to St. Louis, MO and the 2019 Convention!

# 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!

- Friday Oct 5th:** Oktoberfest
- Saturday Nov 3rd:** Beef Sammies
- Saturday Dec 1st:** Holiday Dinner



**Karaoke at the Lodge!**

Please join us at the Jolly Corker Pub on Friday Oct 12th for Karaoke Night!

We're all there for the fun, so come on down and perfect your skills!

Already have skills? Bring your friends with and show 'em what you've got!



**Grand Exalted Ruler,  
2018-2019  
Michael T. Luhr  
Message from the GER  
Grand Lodge Newsletter,  
October 2018**

**October is a month of activity  
as deadlines loom.**

Patriotism Week, held this year from September 10-16, is the perfect time to start to introduce the Americanism Essay Contest to your local schools. It is due to your Lodge by December 15 but NOW is the time to ask schools to get it into their curriculums. Make sure to pass this message on to your Americanism Chairperson.

Have all of your Lodge Officers donated to ENF, and have you discussed ideas for this year's grant opportunities? If not, make ENF part of your next meeting agenda and get it done. If you're having trouble coming up with grant ideas, why not host a Drug Free Kids Halloween party to fulfill an ENF Promise Grant?

October is also the month of the new GER's "Class," so make every effort to initiate new candidates for membership before November 1. Make this initiation a special night, one that accommodates the schedules of new and established Members alike.

During the last meeting of October, be sure that your secretary and trustees submit their reports to the Lodge. This is also a great time for Exalted Rulers to report on their Grand Lodge experience. Remember that all these reports should be in written format and included in your meeting minutes.

Your Auditing & Accounting Committee is also required to offer their report at the end of the month. Your A&A Committee should plan to meet with the secretary and treasurer to review all finances, ensure budgets are revised, and check that records are being maintained according to statute. The importance of this committee's work cannot be overstated, and every effort should be made to swiftly accommodate requests.

Red Ribbon Week runs from October 23-31. This is an opportunity for your Lodge to support the Elks Drug Awareness Program while procuring some positive exposure in your community. Ask local school officials and law enforcement personnel how your Lodge can help spread the word about the dangers of drugs most prevalent in your community.

I would like ask every Exalted Ruler to take a look at the Members of your Lodge who are "Working Together to Make a Difference." Recognize their efforts by awarding them my Special GER Award. It's a small gesture that shows them just how much you and I both appreciate their hard work. Please take the time to thank the Members who are making the Elks stronger because of their selflessness. See page 37 of the Grand Lodge Program book for more information.

My last reminder is an important one: Start planning your Veterans Day program now. Our veterans sacrificed so much on our behalf, and they deserve all the recognition we can bestow upon them. Let's honor veterans in a way befitting of their service to our country as well as remind them that the Elks will never forget them.

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## DOES News

Thank you to those who donated to the Bakeless Bake Sale. We collected \$315. This was our DOES Project that goes to National.

I would like to thank those who have volunteered at our two stands at the home Husker football games. This is our way of giving back to the community. There are still 3 - 4 more games, and we still need your help.

Your president will be attending the DOES District meeting 10/26-10/27. We will be doing the coin march.

Please join us October 15th for our next meeting. We will be draping the charter in memory of Vera Wendelin.

Our wine trip will be October 13th. Please join us for a fun filled day. Proceeds go toward our DOES Scholarship Fund.

In Sisterly Love, Wauneta Peterson



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

**Troy Pedersen**

It looks like we're in for a very nice fall, even if it's a bit warm for now. But seasonal weather is right around the corner with rain and cooler temperatures. That will be a perfect time to open windows and air out the house before winter! I do enjoy the summer, but I'm ready for the seasonal change. Like most people, I enjoy a little change occasionally, otherwise things stagnate.

The local ELKS youth football teams could use a little support. They play on Sunday afternoons at Christiansen field. When your kids are young, it seems like they will never grow up, until the day you look over and realize they're taller than you! What the heck happened?! Time stops for NO one, nobody's immune. Before you know it, you find yourself moving from your home to assisted living and beyond, until you find yourself at your final resting place. In light of that, take the time to smell the roses along the way. Take the time off of work and spend it with family or do for yourself what you wanted to do, if you're able. I recently learned a past co-worker had passed away, at only 48 years old, and it made me stop and think. You never know when your number is up, and you never know what might happen. Make the most of it!

Get involved with your house of worship, volunteer your time, get involved with your Lodge. Take the chance to expand your horizons, make more friends, reconnect with someone you haven't reached out to in a while. You never know what might happen (just ask PER Wirth). Now that I've gotten all mushy...remember your Lodge when you're making your plans for the month. The Oktoberfest dinner is fast upon us, be sure to add that in to your monthly activity calendar! As always, go to the dinners, get involved, and just have FUN.

## Secretary's Corner

There are some of you that have not yet paid your membership dues. Second dues notices were sent out last month to those delinquent members. Also, emails and phone calls were also made to those members last month. Regrettably, the names of those delinquent individuals appear elsewhere in this newsletter. If your name appears on the list and you have record of paying your dues, I apologize; I make every effort to record the dues payment by method of payment, and date paid. Please contact the office to make the correction.

Per the By-Laws, you are not considered a member in good standing until your dues are paid. You are considered delinquent after April 1st of the current year.

We now accept dues payments and donations online! We have added an easy access feature to our webpage. As a reminder; the webpage is [www.elks80.org](http://www.elks80.org). In the top left portion of the homepage, there is a link titled "[Pay Dues or Make a Donation](#)" which will take you to the standard credit card/PayPal fill in the blanks screen.

Also on that homepage, you can access the lodges calendar in case you misplaced your Elk-O-Gram, and you can also access the current and past Elk-O-Gram's. A side note; If you do not wish to receive the paper version of the Elk-O-Gram, you may contact me and arrange to have it delivered via email!

We are seeking a volunteer to create and manage a social media "Facebook, Twitter, etc" webpage. Please call me to set it up and work out the details.

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](mailto:lodge80secy@yahoo.com). See you all around the lodge.

## Knigh't's Tales

Hallo an meine Fellow Elks!

Did you know that the Oktoberfest tradition started in 1810 to celebrate the October 12th marriage of Bavarian Crown Prince Ludwig to the Saxon-Hildburghausen Princess Therese? The citizens of Munich were invited to join in the festivities which were held over five days on the fields in front of the city gates. The main event of the original Oktoberfest was a horse race.

Anniversary celebrations were held annually thereafter eventually becoming larger and more elaborate. In 1818, a carousel and two swings were set up for the revelers. Such amusements were few in the first decades of the festival, but party-goers were amply entertained by the tree climbing competitions, wheel barrow and sack races, mush eating contests, and goose chases. By 1870s, mechanical rides were an expanding feature of the festival and in 1908, the festival boasted Germany's first roller coaster. When the city began allowing beer on the fairgrounds, makeshift beer stands began cropping up, and their number increased steadily until they were eventually replaced by beer halls in 1896. The beer halls, like the beer tents of today, were sponsored by the local breweries.

The festival was eventually prolonged and moved ahead to September to allow for better weather conditions. Today, the last day of the festival is the first Sunday in October. In 2006, the Oktoberfest extended two extra days because the first Tuesday, October 3, was a national holiday. Over the past 200 years, Oktoberfest was canceled 24 times due to cholera epidemics and war.

Today Oktoberfest, or the world's largest beer festival, is held annually in Munich, Germany. The 16-day party attracts over 6 million people every year who consume 1.5 million gallons of beer, 200,000 pairs of pork sausage, and 480,000 spit-roasted chickens during the two-week. While the event reinforces stereotypical images of beer-loving, meat-loving Germans dressed in dirndls and lederhosen, visitors to the annual event come from all over the world. Oktoberfest is in fact one of Munich's largest and most profitable tourist attractions. It brings over 450 million euros to the city's coffers each year.

For the past several weeks I have been in Tijuana Mexico. It was very interesting to hear from the people of Mexico's 4th largest city on how the Americans have embraced the use of Marijuana.

As I was writing this article, a BBC news article "popped" up. It stated that cocaine production hit a record level in the past year. If you didn't know it, Columbia is the largest producer of Cocaine. Can you guess who is the largest consumer of it? (Hint: we are)

Did you know that we have a Red Ribbon Week? This is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention program, reaching millions of Americans during the last week of October every year. We all need to wear a Red Ribbon. By wearing red ribbons and participating in community anti-drug events, young people pledge to live a drug-free lifestyle and pay tribute to DEA Special Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, who's murder prompted a national outcry against the drug cartels that is still heard today.

Americans fill over 4 billion prescriptions each year, but up to 40% of those drugs go unused. It's a definite challenge to safely dispose of 200 million pounds of unused medication each year. Many communities participate in semi-annual drug take-back days where their citizens can take their personal unused medications to a location for drop-off and proper disposal. However, people often need to dispose of medications more frequently. Storing unused medications for many months can increase the risk of those drugs getting into the wrong hands. Sharps Compliance developed the Takeaway Medication Recovery Systems to provide consumers with immediate-use safe, affordable, DEA-compliant pharmaceutical waste disposal solutions for unwanted and unused medications. This "Take Away" Systems is a simple way to collect and properly dispose of your unused meds.

Well as they say in Germany "Es ist Zeit, loszulegen," I have taken enough of your time. Please look in this very informative newsletter for other events that you can participate in. Remember to keep those Sundays open and visit an Elks Football game.

We will be seeing you around Our Lodge! Auf Wiedersehen und Gott segne dich!

-Harry Montag, Leading Knight



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

... We are finally past the 90 degree heat of summer, and the weather is matching the calendar heading into fall ... now is a great time to visit the Jolly Corkers Pub for lunch, and afternoon beverage, or an evening toddy... keep your eyes on the south side of the building, we are scheduled to get new fascias and gutters, and we are working alongside the Trade Association with a few more renovations as well ... get your reservations in for the Oktoberfest Dinner, this is always a favorite and well attended, reservations help us prepare the correct amount of food ... fall is in the air and so is Husker Football ... we still need help at the remaining home games for Concessions for the Does and Elks, and remember, they added another home game ... please email Randy or Wauneta and let us know which ones you can work ... soon the Hide Collection Program will be ratcheting up, be sure to spread the word to your friends and family about collecting their deer hides and bringing them to the south side of the Lodge, Chairman Larry Jurgens will have a collection bin available, and the hides get made into gloves and distributed to Veterans ... October 13 is the date of the Does Wine Trip, if you haven't signed up for that you need to contact Wauneta right away, there is still places available on the bus. An all day extravaganza, 5 different wineries, lunch and light snacks, meet at Kohl's parking lot at 8, bus leaves at 9, return at 7, should be a great time! ... Cash Calendars are included in your Elk-O-Gram, please get them sold and return the slips and money as soon as you can, you can mail them to the Lodge, drop them off when you are at the Pub, bring them to a meeting. Let's make this a banner year for Calendar sales! Remember, the funds raised helps pay our light bills during January and February, typically thin months for our budget. Contact P.E.R. Stephen Wirth for more information or to obtain more calendars ... Delinquent member list is published in this issue, if your name is on it, please get your dues in right away. They are due April 1, and if you have not paid them by then, you are not a "member in good standing". It costs us extra effort, time, postage, etc. to send 2nd notices, etc. If you struggle to come up with the \$\$, remember, monthly auto-deduction is available, and it is less than \$9 a month ... discussion has occurred about switching the Thesaurus program to assisting with the Backpack Program, which is coordinated by Scott Young at the Food Bank. It provides underprivileged youth with food for weekends ... if you need more information on this program or would like to help, please contact P.E.R. Chuck Meisinger ... good to see Jerry Wilson, Dr. Jackson, Sam Carter, and Larry Jurgens on the mend from recent medical procedures, keep them in your prayers for a full and speedy recovery ... P.E.R. John Aman was seen handing out three Eagle Scout Flags, and P.E.R. Jeff Sneller was presenting another in a different part of town, while Eagle Chair Randy King was presenting two in Waverly, and E.R. Troy Pedersen presented two last Tuesday night ... its been an active time for Eagle Scout Courts of Honor! ... Be sure to Thank Lu Hamilton for the excellent work she has done and is doing for the Veterans Victory Apartments project, organizing and delivering sundry items for the Vets getting back on their feet ... please call and offer your support to her as she continues this ambitious project, she could use a few extra hands ... when you see Larry and Vicki Jurgens, Thank them for taking time to clean, trim, and spruce up our Vince Collura Memorial Garden and Flagpole area ... did you hear that P.E.R. Larry Bratt was nominated for 3rd Vice President for the Nebraska State Elks Association? When you see him, congratulate him and wish him well in his endeavors to strengthen Elksdom throughout the State ... have you been to Karaoke at the Lodge yet? Check the calendar for the date for October ... if you haven't been there, you need to be. Elks member Ed Holloway does a stellar job, along with his assistant Elk Heather Chesnut in putting on a great evening of entertainment. Can't sing? Come anyway and enjoy other's attempts to do so ... someone is always cooking up great munchies to enjoy along with your adult beverages ... you might hear a little Johnny Cash from Ed, or Dennis swooning and crooning, Laurie belting out "I am Woman", and other interesting renditions from various brave souls. You might even win a Jolly Corkers T-shirt (it's been known to happen!). Bring your friends and family, its good clean fun. Big Thanks to Ed for bringing all his equipment in, setting up, tearing down, etc. It is a lot of work to put it together, but very much worth it to those who attend ... the Lodge Christmas Party is on Dec. 14th, which is a Friday and also a Karaoke night, so that will be part of the evenings entertainment! ... Speaking of the Christmas Party, the Lincoln Elks Lodge #80 111th Annual Children's Christmas Party is December 16, look for more information upcoming on this. The sacking party is Thursday the 13th, time to be determined, it'll be afternoon or evening or between the two ... watch the upcoming Elk O Grams for further information as times are solidified.... be sure to welcome our new Elks Members who are being initiated this month, Russ Cowan, Scott Williamson, Dan Pape ... Russ is an Accountant and owns Money Smarts, an accounting and bookkeeping firm, Scott is a Mortgage specialist with First National Lincoln, and Dan owns Midtown Body and Paint. Three great guys who will bring a lot to the Lodge ... pin your calendars up on the fridge and get the activities in your planner, there is a lot going on at the Lodge this month, pitch in and enjoy helping with all the good works we do ... see you at the Lodge ...

## ...Our Members...

**Sickness & Distress:**

Sam Carter  
Randy King  
Larry Jurgens

**Deaths:**

Roger Eskra passed August 13th

**Members for Consideration:**

Russell Cowan by Randy King  
Scott Williamson by Randy King  
Dan Pape by Randy King  
Ronald Wilson by Scott Schrage  
Roland Othling, transfer demit from Lake Havasu

**Members Reinstated:**

None

**Members Initiated:**

Kenneth Spellmeyer, transfer demit from Kearney

**Hidden Number:** July/August's hidden number was 15847, Jacob Bliven, hidden on page 6, in the PDDGER article.

**Membership Drawing:** The membership drawing for the Sept 5th meeting was \$107. Jerry Wilson was the name drawn, and he was present to win! The membership drawing for the Sept 19th meeting was \$11. Donald Flamme 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 6 ceremonies performed, with more scheduled in the near future.

**Drug Awareness:** No Report.

**Girl Scouts:** No Report.

**Hide Program:** No Report.

**Hoop Shoot:** A new State Chairman has been found - Aaron Martinez. The State Shoot has been scheduled for Feb. 9th. Gerry Miles is working on Local Shoot details/dates.

**House Committee:** 1) Fascia replacement along the south side of the building was discussed and voted upon to proceed with the project before the gutter replacement, not to exceed \$3000. 2) We are considering options to rework the Storage Room area.

**ENF:** No Report.

**Membership:** The names of those still delinquent as of Sept 20th have been published in the Oct EOG.

**Lincoln Youth Football:** No Report.

**Retention:** Membership is at 249, 26 Delinquent, and 4 Candidates.

**Scholarship:** No Report.

**Soccer Shoot:** The Soccer shoot has been canceled for this year. Acceptable locations were not viable.

**Social Community Welfare:** No Report

**Veterans Committee:** No Report.

### 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>	Dr. William Jackson
<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: Oct 18**

**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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**Did you see something missing? Was there something 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!**

Please Join us **Oct 23** to assemble the Elk-O-Gram for November!

Thank you to Randy King, Harry Montag, and Kevin and Maureen Sadler for folding the EOG for September.

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

Come down to the Lodge to celebrate your birthday! Present this coupon and have a free drink on us.

(Coupon is good 2 days before your birthday, on your birthday, and 2 days after your birthday)



### **2018-2019 Committees**

**Accident:** Scott Schrage  
**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**



Harry Montag is spearheading the Armory Haunted House project this month aimed at supporting the families of veterans. Let's do all we can to help him with the haunting! Many more opportunities to help and give are coming up. Not just here but in the community as well. Pick your favorite and try to give what you can - money is great, but time and effort can be even more valuable.

Liquid Hand Soap	Men's Deodorant
Body Lotion	Liquid Dish Soap
All-purpose Wipes	Dishwasher PODS
All-purpose Spray Cleaner	Dryer Sheets
Razors	Laundry Detergent PODS
Shaving Cream	Paper Towels
Toilet Bowl Cleaner	
Shampoo	
3-n-1 Shower Gel/Shampoo/Conditioner	

We are continuing to supply the vets at the Victory Park Apartments with personal care and cleaning products. More volunteers are always welcome to join in the fun of readying the offerings for delivery and handing things out. Contact me at luannahamilton@gmail.com or call and leave a message 718-710-2390 if you are so inclined. Thanks to those who have been so faithful to this project.

## **Happy October Birthdays!**

01 - Brydl, Melvin A	28 - Traudt, C H
04 - Chesnut, Heather	30 - Reinhardt, Bruce
12 - Herrod III, John A	31 - Bergholz, Russell
14 - Trautwein, Roger	Jones, Arthur R
17 - Wendelin, Donald E	
20 - Beins, Edward	
Haggart, Douglas J	
21 - Blomgren, Steven	
22 - Zabokrtsky, Charles	
25 - Massengale, Martin A	
Murphy, Michael C	
27 - O'Connor, Linda	



## **PER News**

The PERs Association met on August 1 for the Association's bi-annual meeting. There were 11 PERs present. Your PERs are here for you! Before his passing, PER Rich Todd encouraged all the PERs to think about doing something more for Lodge #80. To that end, you will likely see the PERs in force taking part in different lodge activities. To kick off the endeavor, the PERs joined Lu Hamilton on 8/14 to help pack supplies for our Veterans.

If you see a PER around the lodge, please approach them if you have any ideas for other things that the PERs can do for you. They all look forward to seeing you around the lodge and the Jolly Corker's Pub!

### AKRON ZIPS vs NEBRASKA HUSKERS

Game On.....Game on Hold.....Game Cancelled. This was the scenario for the opening game of the 2018 football season on Saturday, September 1st at 7:00 p.m. Because of the severe thunderstorm and the many lightning strikes, the game was temporarily put on hold while the storm hit Memorial Stadium. The game consisted of one play. Akron kicking off to Nebraska before the game went into a lightning delay. The referees came on to the field and told the players to seek shelter back in their respective locker rooms. Many fans were dancing in the isles as the rain poured down. Another announcement was made over the big screen monitors that fans should seek shelter inside the enclosed areas of the stadium for their protection. Finally, the decision was made: "DUE TO THE WEATHER CONDITIONS, THE GAME HAS BEEN CANCELLED. FANS MAY CONTINUE TO SHELTER IN PLACE WHILE THE STORM IS IN THE AREA, PASSES, OR DIES DOWN". Needless to say, the fans came hungry and during the delay, concession stands were booming. Concession Stand #52 and #57, sponsored by DOES Drove No. 4 had 13 volunteers to assist the eaters. Representing the Does and Elks, Pictured: Deborah Burns, Matt Dickson, Delicia Pickel, Stephen Wirth, Maureen Sadler, Randy King, Jennifer Frasier-Davison, Jack Pickel, J.J. Nordman, Larry Bratt, Hope Nordman, Larry Schwindt and Susan Lien.



Wauneta Peterson, President of DOES Drove No. 4 organizes and schedules the individuals for the University of Nebraska Concessions effort. The DOES have been operating this fund raising project since the early 1950's. If anyone is interested in helping at future home games, contact Wauneta at wvpeter-son@windstream.net, phone 402.483.1649 or Randy King at randyking1958@gmail.com, phone 402.450.0978. Thank-You for your continued dedication to date to all of our volunteers.



NOTE: The cancelled Akron Zips game has been replaced by Bethune-Cookman University out of Daytona Beach, FL for Saturday, October 27th here in Lincoln. Another home game opportunity for volunteers to help out the DOES.

### Vincent R. Collura Garden

A Call to Action was sent out and two workers responded. The Vincent R. Collura Garden was in need of ground up keeping maintenance. Larry and Vicki Jurgens brought their gardening techniques and the area is once again spot on. Thank-You both for taking on the challenge and spending quality time in this efforts. The lodge members and the Collura family appreciate it.

NOTE: The Collura garden was dedicated by Donna Collura and family in July of 1992.



### Departed and Remembered



Roger F. Eskra, 82, of Beatrice, died Monday evening, August 13, 2018 at the Beatrice Community Hospital. He was born on December 7, 1935 at Owatonna, MN and graduated from Preston High School. He married Gayle Roelofs on October 4, 1953 at Greenleafon Reformed Church of Preston. He served in the 101st Unit of the National Guard in Winona MN from 1954 to 1957. He graduated from Winona State University in 1957 with a BS degree in Education and then taught school and coached in Minnesota and Iowa for six years. They moved to Beatrice in 1964. From 1963 to 1983, he sold jewelry for Josten's and worked for American Envelope for five years in Omaha, retiring in 1999. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Beatrice, Beatrice Country Club and the Beatrice Chamber of Commerce where he had been a member of the Traveling Men's Association and Beatrice Elks Lodge #619. Roger was initiated in Lodge #619 on 11/18/1968. He then became affiliated with Lincoln Lodge #80 in 1994 until his passing. A Celebration of Life was held at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday, August 25, 2018 at the First Presbyterian Church of Beatrice.

**THE VACANT CHAIR:** We shall meet, but we shall miss him, **There** will be the vacant chair, **But** though we no more possess him, **Still** our hearts his memory bear. **But** a while ago we gathered, **Friendship** beaming in each eye, **Now** the golden cord is severed, **He** has passed to realms on high. **TO OUR ABSENT MEMBER**

## Delinquent Members

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Polly Conyers  
Timothy Cox  
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**Chaplain's Corner**

**"Followship"**

Elks Lodge 80 Chaplain, Dr. William Jackson

**Our** Lord and Savior lead the way towards us following Him as his disciples, much like a shepherd looks after his sheep (Psalm 78:52). But where does—or has—it been said, that we sheep/disciples follow blindly what God lays before us?

**There's** this thing I've heard about hoodwinking sheep into following a "scapegoat" type sheep towards their eventual death at butchers' place. However I may have remembered this tale of "follow the leader" unto death, a point is worth noting here.

**Do YOU** believe what you hear and read, whether it be on the internet, in a newspaper, on a TV news program, from social media messages on your I-pad or 'droid, or from your friendly neighborhood "know-it-all" buddy next door? You DO!?! ah HA!

**Sorry**...I thought...your neighbor was the next best thing to being there when it comes to keeping you in the know, right? You mean...that tried-n-true neighbor... hasn't always gotten it right? But...what about his "grand idea" for a business that... he didn't contribute any funds to... now you're still trying to pay off that debt... sorry...

**The** Lord does say that a fool and his money will soon be parted (Romans 1:22), not that YOU are a fool, especially like others who are disciples of Christ (Romans 8:1), with no judgments on your door step.

**OK**, let's make it plain: be holy, and follow Jesus, for He is holy, too. Set your sights on Scripture's paths to righteousness, as evidenced by Christ's time on earth as the Theanthropos, Greek for the God-man: 100% God and 100% man. Being holy is not allowing yourself to fall prey to the fleshly desires to be trendy and "happening," much like the Sadducees and Pharisees of Jesus' day (Matthew 3:7). It means stepping out on faith, as recalled by the author of Hebrews (11:1).

**Sssoooo**...be...a bit more concerned about your next call to follow the sheep or cattle of your crowd to cliff-dive, swan dive, or simply go with the flow of making that plunge over that steep mountain edge of sin's best alluring opportunity for you.

**Don't** be a sinner who follows the crowd. Allow yourself to be, instead, the only sign of Christ offering a better choice to live purposely, and with His blessings (Romans 12:1).

You're invited to direct any Scripture or nature of God inquiries directly to me at the following, with private, confidential, and anonymous responses in the next available Elk-O-Gram.

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## \$\$\$\$ CASH CALENDARS \$\$\$\$

Once again, Lincoln Lodge #80 will be selling cash calendars to help offset the cost of the many Elks sponsored youth activities and programs provided for the children of Lincoln and surrounding communities. We are going to try a little different format with our calendar. Inside this issue of the ELK-O-GRAM, there is only one insert (flyer) made up of one calendar with dollar amounts and then 6 information entry slips valued at \$10 dollars each. You may choose to fill out 1 or all 6. You can buy all six (\$10 per slip = \$60) which will increase your chances of winning or you can sell some to your family, friends and neighbors. They make great stocking stuffers for Christmas too. We're starting to sell early (3 months) so we can make this an even greater event. The drawings will begin the 1st of January, 2019. Instructions are as follows:

1. Fill out the required information so we know who you are when you win. i.e. name, address, phone number. *Please fill out this information legibly.*
2. Cut along the dashed line(s) and return your personal information, along with \$10 per calendar slip, to Lincoln Lodge #80, 5910 South 58th Street, Ste A, Lincoln, Nebraska 68516, to the attention of Jerry Wilson, Lodge Secretary and Stephen Wirth, Cash Calendar Chairman.
3. The calendar slips and dollars which you mail back will be collected for the drawing to be held in January of the New Year (2019).

For more details, see the back of the calendar for additional instructions.

More calendars can be made available by copying the existing calendar or by contacting one of your lodge officers or one of our Jolly Corker Pub bartenders. Let's get excited about this event and the many youth activity programs it will help sponsor!

Thank you for your continued support!

Stephen F. Wirth, PER  
Cash Calendar Chairman



## Youth Football Scores and Highlights

Well sports fans, we have just completed two Sunday's of Youth Football which were played on Sept. 9th and the 16th. Results of these afternoon games are listed, with the Elks score listed first.

One thing that is most impressive is how the coaches and players conduct themselves. Everyone is working hard using the best strategies and plays to out-smart the opposition. The Elks opponents have been pretty good to date, however, our victories are just around the corner. Included with this summary are action pictures, in order, of Class A, B, C and D Teams. Rookies will be featured in the November issue of monthly bulletin.

Football Chairman Scott Schrage was out on a camping trip so Public Relations Chairman Stephen Wirth stepped in.

Pictured below L to R: A Team: Elks vs. Union Bank & Trust, B Team: Elks vs. Firefighters, C Team: Elks vs. Firefighters, and D Team: Elks vs. Exec Club

Sunday Sept 9th	Sunday Sept 16th
A - 8 to 21 (L)	A - 0 to 59 (L)
B - 8 to 0 (W)	B - 0 to 6 (L)
C - 0 to 34 (L)	C - 0 to 32 (L)
D - 14 to 0 (W)	D - 8 to 26 (L)
Rookies - 0 to 34 (L)	Rookies - 13 to 26 (L)





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

# October 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Lodge Rented - Trade Center	<b>3</b> Lodge Mtg 7p	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Oktoberfest Dinner	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Burger Nite 5.30p	<b>10</b> Room Rented	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Karaoke 6p	<b>13</b> DOES Wine Trip
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> DOES	<b>16</b> American Legion	<b>17</b> Lodge Mtg 7p	<b>18</b> American Legion	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			