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

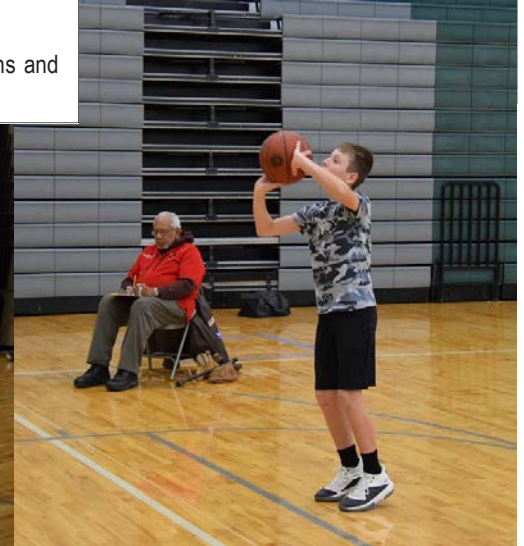


Returning Hoop Shoot Champion Brooklynn Bohling, infectious smiles, and a willing group of volunteers made for a seamless Sunday morning!

Our local hoop shoot, though slim in participants, was a success.

Our Hoop Shoot competition is a free throw contest for kids ages 8 to 13. The program is free to all contestants and gives youth an opportunity to compete, connect, and succeed through hard work and healthy competition.

5 Lincoln Area youths were crowned Champions and will compete January 15 in our District's shoot.



## Ham Dinner

On Saturday, January 14th the Lodge will be hosting a Ham Dinner! On the menu will be Ham, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, and a Winter Apple Dessert.

\$12/person

**Social Hour: 5:30 Dinner Served: 6:30**

Please call the Lodge for reservations

## Valentine's Dinner

It's not too early to be thinking about our Annual Valentine's Dinner on February 11th! Reservations are a must for this one, so plan ahead!

More details to follow





**Exalted Ruler Larry Schwindt**  
**Lincoln Lodge No. 80**  
**2022-2023**

Happy New Year everyone!!!! I trust you all had a great Christmas and a good time ringing in the New Year. I pray that the upcoming year will bring you all good health, and plenty of time to spend with family and friends.

As always, we have great dinners planned for the upcoming months and we look forward seeing you at the Lodge. Please come and support these dinners, because without your attendance and support, the lodge would not be able to keep the doors open.

Thank you to all of the people who have volunteered over the last year to purchase, prepare and cook the food, set up the tables and chairs, clear tables and wash dishes for the dinners. There are countless hours involved in getting everything ready for the dinners, and without our dedicated team of volunteers, we would not be able to have the dinners.

I would also again like to thank all of the people who were generous enough to sponsor the dinners. Having sponsors for the dinners allows all of the proceeds from the dinner and raffle sales to go directly to the Lodge.

We are bringing back the book project after a two year break due to Covid. We will be delivering Thesaurus's to Waverly, Ashland-Greenwood and Norris schools. We'll also be doing something different this year. We're going to partner with the Lincoln City Libraries, and on March 11th, we will be setting up a table in each library to hand out the books. We are planning on having a two-person team at each of the eight libraries. If you are interested in helping distribute the books at the libraries, please contact me at [larryjcorvette@aol.com](mailto:larryjcorvette@aol.com) or Larry Bratt at [larrycop317@yahoo.com](mailto:larrycop317@yahoo.com).

*Thanks, Larry*



### **Elks Care Elks Share!**

District Hoop Shoot will be held Sunday, January 15, 2023 at 9:00 am at Lincoln Southwest High School. The High School is located at 7001 S 14th St, Lincoln, NE.

You can Park in the Southwest lot

and come to the gymnasium door. **We need lots of volunteers!** I am asking for you to be there by 8:30 AM. We need scorers, ball shaggers, umpires. This is a great one-off activity that will allow you to experience one of the premier youth activities sponsored by the B.P.O. Elks. It will last about 2 1/2 hours. Please contact Harry Montag, 402.990.7199 with your commitment to participate, or with questions. Hope to see you there!

### **Secretary's Corner**



A quick note: Statements for 2023/24 dues will be coming out later this month. Please remember, in order to remain an Elk in good standing, we must receive your dues no later than March 31, 2023. On April 1, 2023, those who remain unpaid become delinquent, and access to lodge facilities may be limited until dues are brought up to date.

What's more satisfying than a brand new, unmarked calendar? All that potential wrapped inside each little vacant box, just waiting to be filled up with the demands and enjoyment of daily life! I wish each of you a prosperous 2023, and our hope is for the Lodge to have one too! And to that end, I hope that you will check the lodge calendar in the Elk-O-Gram or online at [elks80.org](http://elks80.org), and transfer our activities to your own calendar.

A lodge is defined by its membership, and an active and involved member base makes a lodge strong and effective in helping our community. Lodge 80 has a long and strong history of community involvement, and we would like to continue that! However, we need your help to be successful. We have many areas of interest in which to become involved – Scholarships, Veterans, Youth Football, Hoop Shoot, Teen of the Year, are just a few. Please try to participate in at least one area of community service in 2023. Your participation will help your lodge, but you may find that giving of yourself helps you, too!

Speaking of service opportunities, we are also in need of members to step up in leadership at the Lodge, as an officer and/or committee chair. Amy Jacobsen has chaired the Teen of the Year committee for many years, and would like to transfer the leadership to another member; she is willing to co-chair this year with a new chairperson. This opportunity is rather immediate, as letters to schools need to start going out in late January/early February. The time period for this activity is about 3 months, January through March. If you are interested, please let me know, and I will put you in touch with Amy.

As chair of the Youth Activities committee, I am also in need of a member or two to assume responsibility for the Junior Recognition/Youth Night. This activity typically runs from February through the first week of May. It entails contacting local high schools for nominations, preparing a spreadsheet (Mark Long is a great help with this!), working with a printer to produce certificates and Youth Night programs, and setting up the ceremony. It's probably a 20-hour commitment spread over 3 months. I will work alongside you this year to train, and be accessible for support in the future. Please let me know if you are interested in chairing this rewarding activity.

Other committees are in need of new chairs, too, and we will cover them in future Elk-O-Grams!

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or need assistance with all things Elk. There is voicemail on the lodge phone, or you may contact me as below. See you at the Lodge!

*Laurie Montag / secretary@elks80.org / 402.202.6673 by text or phone*



## Budget Time...

It is that time of year! Committees will need to start looking at their budget for the 2023-2024 year. The process will start February 4th, 2023, so all budgets need to be turned in BEFORE this date. Please get your budget to one of the Trustee's. REMEMBER that all budgets need to show what the request is for, how you are going to spend the money, when the expenses will occur, and how much you are requesting. This MUST be in written form. Any questions, please contact me at [sschrage@neb.rr.com](mailto:sschrage@neb.rr.com). Thank you, Scott Schrage and the Trustee's

## Scholarship Announcement

**ALL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2023.**

**NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT DATE FOR ANY SCHOLARSHIPS THE LODGE OFFERS.**

### Car Giveaway...

You may have seen the Advertisement on 10/11 in December about The Auto Connection giving away a car to a deserving individual. Kevin Anderson, owner, is also an Elk. Our Lodge was able to take part in this activity by reviewing the entries and selecting the winner. Elks Lodge #80 got some nice publicity for taking part in this worthy charitable event. Hats off to the ad hoc selection committee: Harry Montag, Scott Schrage, Ken Cohn, Maureen Sadler, and Randy King.



## Does Dispatch

The highlight of a busy December had Drove #4 initiating Mary Ryan as a new Doe and being able to enfold Lynn and Ruth Arms as official Lincoln members as they transferred from Falls City Elks and Does to our area.

Ruth has taken on the position of Assistant Conductor and has a wealth of knowledge to share with us, and Mary has volunteered to help at the next Elks Burger Night. We are blessed with these three new members to our Drove and Lodge.

We finished up our year of working the concessions of UNL Football and volleyball games. They are a lot of fun to do, but the time commitment at the football games has gotten to be an awful lot to handle, so we'll only be working volleyball games in the 2023 season.

2023 will be a busy year for us as we will be hosting the District Meeting and also celebrate the 100 th birthday of our Drove in June.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 11th at 5:30 pm.

Lincoln Does Drove #4 wishes you and your families all good health and prosperity in 2023. As you know, you already have very good friends within our Drove and Lodge. Happy 2023!!

Sandy Reiber, Secretary ~ 402-432-0222 or email me at: [sreiber@windstream.net](mailto:sreiber@windstream.net)



## Santa at the Lodge

This year Santa made an early stop at the Lodge. He was able to meet with children and ask them what they wanted for Christmas. All the children were excited to see the jolly



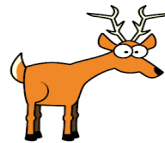
one and Santa gave out gift bags and a toy to all that came! He is headed back to the North Pole to get ready for



his upcoming trip. The Lodge wants to thank all the Elf's that volunteered to come and assist Santa today. We look forward for Santa coming back next year! *Thanks to Juli & Scott Jurgens for donating the toys...*



## Hides...Hides...Hides...



Let everyone you know that hunts, that Lincoln Lodge #80 is collecting deer hides again this year.

The hides will be made into half-gloves for wheelchair bound veterans.

Hides will be collected on the south side of the Lodge in the red bin. Please put clean hides in a plastic bag.

*Thanks, Larry Jurgens - Hide Chairman*

## Collection Barrel

The Lodge recently started a new project, one that is simple for any member of the lodge to participate in. A new red collection barrel is located in the lobby. Every month in the Elk-O-Gram, we will announce a new category of items that you may bring to help the youth served by WE CAN DO THIS at the F Street Community Center.

In December, we collected personal care items. For January, we are asking for non-perishable (not needing refrigeration) food items that are easily prepared or are readily edible, such as single serving microwavable containers of mac & cheese, stew, soup, etc. that might only require the addition of water for preparation. Also appropriate would be single serving containers of fruit, jello, pudding, applesauce, that type of thing. Cans of tuna, vegetables, or fruit would be appropriate, but should have pull-tab tops. Many of these youth live in homes that may not have milk, eggs, butter, or a can opener available. Please add one or two of these items to your shopping list and leave them in the red container at the Lodge! Thank you!



## ...Our Members...

**Sickness & Distress:** None

**Deaths:** None

**Members for Consideration:** Ruth Arms, proposed by Randy King

**Members Reinstated:** None

**Members Elected:** Samuel Segrist, Mary Ryan

**Members Initiated:** None

**Hidden Number:**

December's hidden number was Vicki Jurgens, on page 5! Look close in this issue, it might be yours. If you spot your number, you get a free meal at the next monthly dinner!

**Membership Drawing:** The membership drawing for the Dec 7th meeting was for \$45. Larry Klein was the lucky name, but he was not present to win. Remember, you have to come to meetings to win!

Jody Schrage was the winner of the raffle drawing on Dec 7th, she donated her \$9 to the bartender's Christmas fund. Next meeting is January 4th at 7pm!

**Jolly Corks Pub is closed Sunday, Monday, Wednesday.**  
**Open hours are Tues and Thurs 3 - 7, Fri 3 - 9, Sat 3- 7**  
**No food service available.**

Elks Lodge 80 awarded 2 Eagle Scouts an American Flag at their Court of Honor for Troop 49 on Dec. 5th. Both young men completed landscaping projects for their respective churches.



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## Committee Reports

**Americanism:** No Report.

**Boy Scouts:** 2 Eagles from Troop 49 received flags Dec. 5th.

**Drug Awareness:** No Report.

**Girl Scouts:** No Report.

**Hide Program:** Deer season ongoing - red bin is in place on south side of building.

**Hoop Shoot:** No Report.

**House Committee:** Larry Bratt reported they talked about upcoming dinners. We will post information about renting our Lodge Room on the Elks 80 website.

**ENF:** The 2022-2023 goal is \$4.80. per capita. Lodge 80 is at \$10.60 per capita.

**Membership:** 227 members, 12 delinquent, 3 candidates.

**Lincoln Youth Football:** No Report

**Retention:** No Report.

**Scholarship:** All Scholarship apps due no later than January 31st.

**Soccer Shoot:** No Report.

**Social Community Welfare:** No Report.

**Veterans Committee:** Opportunity to help deliver food to Victory Apartments January 31st - ask Trustee Milt Schmidt for more information.

*Happy Holidays*

## Noteworthy Tidbits...

Big shout out and "Thank You" to **Mitch Becker** for sponsoring our December Shrimp Boil dinner ... the dinner was great, many compliments heard throughout the Lodge ... the Thesaurus project and Gratitude Grant (which has been received) will be distributed in libraries on March 11, 2023 ... our Convection oven is very old and needs replacing, we are looking into this ... members present voted to re-key outer door locks, it's been a few years ... members present voted to purchase remaining items for the Christmas goodie bags ... members present voted to divide remaining Christmas Party funds equally between WE CAN DO THIS, Center for People in Need, Christian Heritage, Food Fort, and Cedars ... upcoming dinners include a ham dinner on Jan 14th, our traditional Valentine's Dinner on Feb 11th, and rumor has it that the chili cook off will be Feb 18th, so start planning! ...

## 2022-2023 Elks' Lodge #80 Officers

<b>Exalted Ruler.....</b>	Larry Schwindt PDDGER PSP PER
<b>Leading Knight.....</b>	Larry Bratt PDDGER 1st VP PER
<b>Loyal Knight.....</b>	Dr. William Jackson
<b>Lecturing Knight.....</b>	Bryan Leavitt
<b>Esquire.....</b>	Troy Pederson PER
<b>Inner Guard.....</b>	Heather Chesnut
<b>Tiler.....</b>	Maureen Sadler
<b>Secretary.....</b>	Laurie Montag PER
<b>Treasurer.....</b>	Jody Schrage
<b>Chaplain.....</b>	Frank Bruyette
<b>Trustee 1 Year.....</b>	Scott Schrage
<b>Trustee 2 Year.....</b>	Randy King
<b>Trustee 3 Year.....</b>	Milt Schmidt
<b>Trustee 4 Year.....</b>	Jen Giese
<b>Trustee 5 Year.....</b>	Harry Montag, PER
<b>Presiding Justice.....</b>	Amy Jacobsen PER
<b>Organist .....</b>	Wauneta Peterson

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

**Articles Due:  
Jan 19, 2023**

**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 10197 - 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!*



A big shout out to our members who volunteered to work at the lodge in December to support our lounge, our dinners, room rentals, and other projects, and in general help make our lodge work. Thanks goes to those who served the lodge in November (with kudos to any we may inadvertently miss): Larry Bratt PER; Jen Giese;

Larry Jurgens; Vicki Jurgens; Randy King; Harry Montag PER; Laurie Montag PER; Maureen Sadler; Milt and Linda Schmidt; Jody Schrage; Scott Schrage; and Larry Schwindt ER.

A big shout-out also goes to every member and guest who helped with the Sacking on December 16 and with the distribution of those bags to WE CAN DO THIS, Food Fort, Cedars, Center for People in Need, and others.

### **2022-2023 Committees**

**Accident:** Scott Schrage  
**Activities:** Harry Montag, PER  
**Americanism:** VACANT  
**Auditing:** Jody Schrage  
**Benevolence:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 1VP  
**By-Laws Changes:** VACANT  
**Christmas:** Bryan Leavitt  
**Community Activities:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 1VP  
**Drug Awareness:** Harry Montag, ER, PER  
**Eagle Scouts:** Randy King  
**Elks Memorial Day:** Larry Jurgens  
**ENF:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 1VP  
**Flag Day:** VACANT  
**Fraternal:** Gerald Miles, PER  
**Girl Scout Gold Award:** Randy King  
**Gov. Relations:** Troy Pedersen, PER  
**Hide Program:** Larry Jurgens

**Hoop Shoot:** Harry Montag, PER  
**Indoctrination:** Laurie Montag, PER  
**Investigation:** Larry Bratt PDDGER, PER, 1VP  
**Membership:** Larry Schwindt ER, PSP, PER, PDDGER  
**PER Association:** Larry Bratt, PER, PDDGER, 1VP  
**Public Relations:** Harry Montag, PER  
**Ritual:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 1VP  
**Scholarship:** Laurie Montag PER  
**Soccer Shoot:**  
**Standing Relief:** Laurie Montag PER  
**State Major Projects:** Larry Schwindt ER, PSP, PER, PDDGER  
**Veterans:** Harry Montag, PER  
**Youth Activities:** Laurie Montag PER  
**Youth Football:** Scott Schrage

## **Trustee News...**



At the Trustee's meeting we went over the Lodge reports and all is looking good. We went thru the ATM contract for the Lodge gaming and we came up with a few points that we need more information on. We plan to send them our concerns and hopefully will have it in very soon. The next item is the convection oven - the oven is not working and we had a service company come look at it to diagnose the problem. After going thru the oven, the repairs will be over \$1300 due to age and availability of parts. With that in mind, we are going to look at what a new or used one would cost and then look at all our options on the oven and how to pay for it. More information to come in the near future. We also looked at our entry doors and we feel that it is time to re-key the locks. This hasn't been done for many years and for security reasons this needs to be addressed. It was decided that we will contact Mattice Lock shop and have them perform the work. A motion was made at the Lodge meeting and it was approved to proceed with getting this done. The Lodge was contacted by The Auto Connection and asked to judge entries for a car donation for a needy family or individual. We agreed to do this and it was brought to the floor for the members to approve. - *Scott Schrage*



### **Karaoke at the Lodge**

Come join us for singing, laughter, and fellowship with your Brother and Sister Elks, Friday, January 20th at the Jolly Corks Pub. Carry in munchies. Fun starts at 6, bring your friends, lots of songs to be sung... Ken Cohn will KJ for us as we have a great time! See you then!



### **Happy January Birthdays!**

- |                     |                            |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 01 - Thomas H Lynch | 19 - Terry Edwards, P.E.R. |
| 02 - Radley Breuer  | Chelsea Truka              |
| 06 - Roger White    | 20 - Robert Taylor         |
| 08 - Kevin Anderson | 21 - James Gray            |
| Richard Croissant   | 24 - Terry Hagan           |
| Janis Ireland       | 25 - Matthew Brophy        |
| Roxanne Thomas      | John Hansen                |
| 09 - Jason Brooks   | 26 - Larry Benac           |
| David Crouse        | 28 - Jason Warrick         |
| 12 - Linda Rienks   | 31 - Glen Riensche         |
| 12 - Carol Snyder   |                            |



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)

### Delinquent on Dues....

- Charles Aman
- Russell Bergholz
- David Caudy
- Eric Ebeler
- Thomas Hansen
- Sharon Hockemeier
- Delitha Lang
- Kurt Lang
- Glen Pumel
- Neil Stuthmann
- Greg Znamenacek

*Please get  
your dues in  
ASAP...*

Laurie Montag / secretary@elks80.org /

### More Hoop Shoot photos...



### Candy Sacking at Elks Lodge #80



A Special shout out to Bryan Leavitt! Bryan stepped up in a big way and organized our Annual Christmas Goodie Bag Sacking project. These goodie bags will be distributed to WE CAN DO THIS, Cedars, Christian Heritage Home, and others.

What a smooth 3 hours of fun and production! There were a number of Elk-Elves that participated in this annual event. A fantastic afternoon it was...



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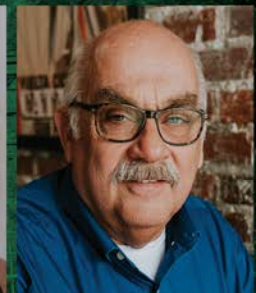
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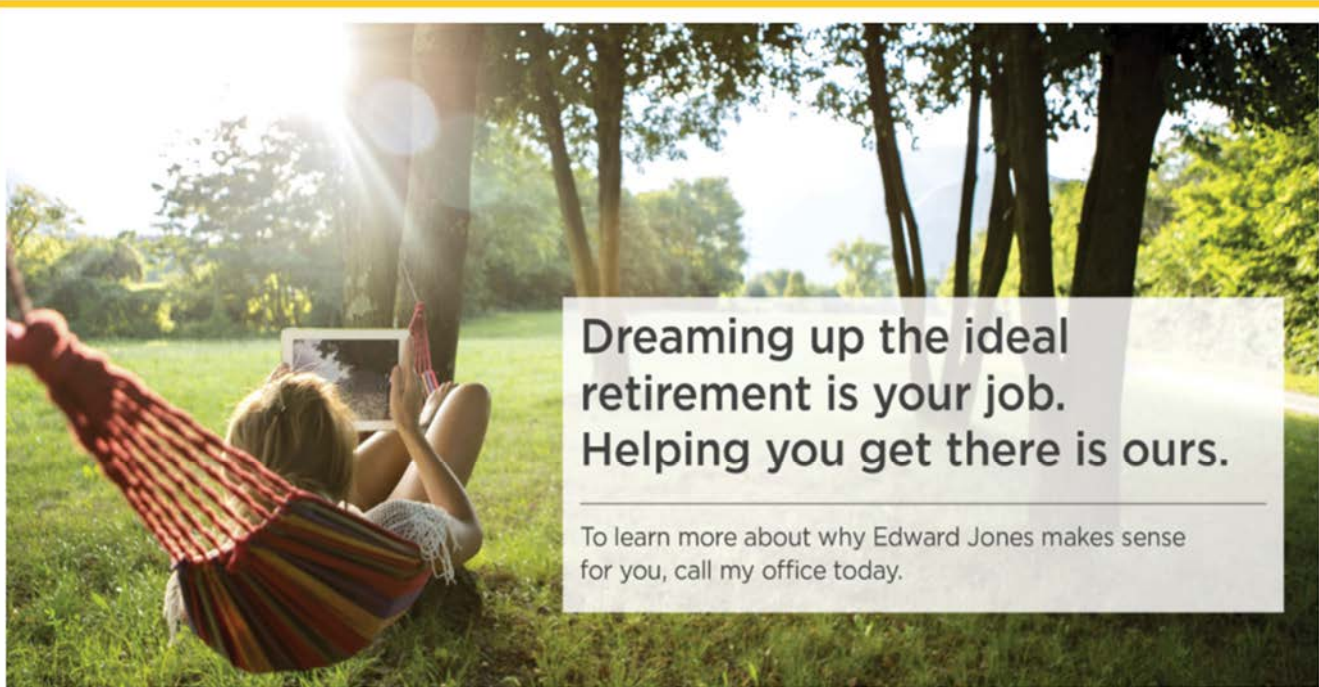
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Don't forget to look for the member number in this issue. If you find yours, call the Lodge for your dinner ticket!

# January 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Happy New Year! 	2 Closed	3 Pitch 3p	4 Closed Trustees 6p Lodge 7 p	5	6	7
8	9 Closed	10 Pitch 3 p Burger Nite 5:30p Am. Legion Aux 6p Am. Legion 7p	11 Closed Does 5:30	12	13	14 Ham Dinner Cocktails 5:30 p Dinner 6:30 p
15 Hoop Shoot Lincoln Southwest Door 3 - 8:30 a	16 Closed	17 Pitch 3p Am.Legion 40/8 7p	18 Closed House 6p Lodge 7p	19 American Legion Auxiliary 3 p	20 Karaoke 6-9p Bass Club 7-9p	21
22	23 Closed	24 Pitch 3p	25 Closed	26	27	28
29	30 Closed	31 Victory Apartments Pantry 3p Pitch 3p Deadline Lodge Scholarship Apps.	1 Closed Trustees 6p Lodge 7 p	2	3	4 Trustees Budget Meeting 9a