

Lincoln Nebraska, Lodge

Presents Bobby C. Clinkenbeard for
Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight

Whereas, the officers and members of Lincoln Nebraska Lodge No. 80 do hereby acknowledge and sincerely appreciate the leadership accomplishments, and dedicated service rendered by Bobby Clinkenbeard who fervently abides by the obligation of fraternal brotherhood in serving his lodge, the East Nebraska District, the Nebraska Elks Association, and the Grand Lodge; and

Whereas, he was initiated into the Scottsbluff, Nebraska Lodge No. 1367 in 1965, where he worked on many committees including Americanism, May Youth Day, House committee, Christmas basket, March of Dimes and many others; and

Whereas, he was elected Tiler in 1968 and served in all the chairs up to and including Leading Knight. In 1970 he served as Chaplain on the State Champion Ritual team and performed in San Francisco at Grand Lodge. In 1974 his work caused him to transfer his membership to Lincoln, Nebraska Lodge No. 80. He was appointed Inner Guard advanced through all the chairs and was elected Exalted Ruler in 1981. He served on several committees. He became a certified Ritual Judge and in 1984 guided the team to a state championship where they performed at Grand Lodge in Houston, TX. He served as Secretary of his lodge from 1992 to 1997 and was instrumental in setting up and serving on a 501 C 3 lodge Scholarship program; and



Whereas, in 1983 he served the State association as Sergeant at arms, chair of credentials and on the state ritual committee several years the last three as chairman. He also judged ritual in Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota, South Dakota, Iowa, Wyoming and Colorado.

He received the PGER George B. Klein Nebraska Elks Association Ritualistic Award for sincere dedication to the principals of ritualistic work. He served as Special Representative to the defunct Beatrice Lodge. He co-founded the State Association Exalted Ruler Secretary Seminar and co-chaired it for 5 years. In 1995 he was elected Third Vice-President of the State Association served in all the chairs and was elected President in 1998. He was instrumental in setting up the convention committee and investment committee for the State. He presently serves as Vice-chairman of the State Association Advisory Committee and served a five-year term on the State Trustees the last year as Chairman; and

Whereas, he served the Grand Lodge as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for Grand Exalted Ruler James Damon 1990-1991 and as Grand Lodge Ritual Official in 1991 at St. Louis, Mo. He was appointed Secretary to Grand Exalted Ruler Vincent Collura 1992-1993 and also served part time as Administrative Assistant to Grand Exalted Ruler James M. McQuillan due to the terminal illness of his Administrative Assistant; and

Whereas, he enlisted in the US Navy and served aboard the USS Northampton during the Korean War until his Honorable Discharge in 1956 and is a member of the USS Northampton reunion association; and

Whereas, he enjoyed a distinguished thirty five year career in public service, as a member of the Nebraska State Patrol, first as a trooper for ten years, then as a criminal division supervisor. He graduated from The FBI Academy for State and Local officers; he was then promoted to Lieutenant. He was a founding father of (MOCIC) The Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center, along with eight others, one from each member state. It is an intelligence gathering center for nine mid-western states, which is part of (RISS) Regional Information Sharing System, a federally funded agency formed to assist local law enforcement in

gathering and disseminating Intelligence information; and

Whereas, he has distinguished himself for his Service to the State and community as a volunteer to the Lincoln Lancaster County Convention Bureau. He volunteered for the 2010 National Special Olympics, which were held in Nebraska. It involved over three thousand athletes. He participated in the Law Enforcement Torch run across Nebraska. He presently serves as a member of the Supervisory committee for the State Employees Credit Union; and

Whereas, he has accomplished this with the overwhelming support of his loving wife of thirty years. They have three sons, three daughters, twenty beautiful grandchildren and 9 great grand children.

Whereas, he has a record of distinguished service to his family, community, state, professional and fraternal life, all reflecting well on him, as well as our Order, now therefore

Be it resolved, that Lincoln Lodge No. 80 is honored and proud to present to the 2014 Grand Lodge Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana the name of Bobby C. Clinkenbeard as a candidate for the office of Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America.

Larry Schwindt, Exalted Ruler

Jerry Wilson, Secretary

Scott Schrage, Chairman Trustees

Dated this 16th day of October 2013