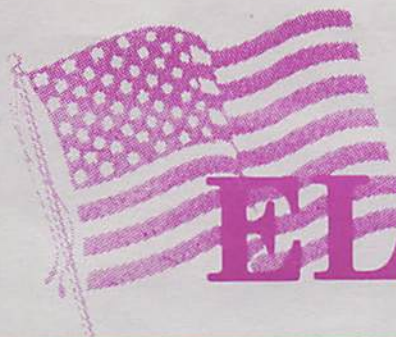


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LINCOLN LODGE NO. 80

Home of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Vincent R. Collura Nebraska Sponsor and Past Grand Exalted Ruler George B. Klein



St. Patrick's Day

Dinner & Dance



SATURDAY, THE 15TH OF MARCH

"Tippin' & Dinin' & Dancin'"

*Corned Beef Brisket, Cabbage, & Parsley Potatoes
Salad & Rye Bread will also be available*

*Dessert: ice cream w/creme de menthe or chocolate syrup
Blarney Stone Green Brew, too.*

\$10

*See your favorite leprechaun (Bud or Curly) for tickets, or you may
purchase them from the bonnie lads n' lasses at the bar &, in the Lodge Office*

The Faults of our Members, we write upon the Sand — Their Virtues upon the tablets of Love & Memory



Exalted Ruler Message

Well, I understand, with great reluctance, that this is my last entry into the Elk-O-Gram as Exalted Ruler. My year is about to come to a close and I want to express to all members that I have thoroughly enjoyed every aspect of this great lodge and every relationship that I have developed.

I want to give special thanks to each Lodge Officer, Glen Pumel, Paul Mussack, Gerry Barret, Sam Carter, Bud Dietrich, and Sonny Lane. Trustees; Duane Vanderbeek, Chuck Meisinger, Rich Todd, Virg Wieting and Roger Pickering. Their hard work and due diligence have made this year a success.

Additionally, my special thanks to Vi Berst and Sam Carter for their efforts with the Veterans programs. To Neil Stuthmann, as Lodge Secretary, he has kept me on track considering the mounds of paperwork that crosses our paths. To Cheri Amack who does a magnificent job of organizing various activities, organizing lodge and club affairs and keeping me very well informed. To Linda Denkinger, who is an absolute sweetheart, and the entire club staff who have been outstanding this year. To Jerry Gorton as our House Committee Chair. Jerry goes above and beyond his stated duties in making sure we run smoothly on both the club and lodge sides. To Bud Dietrich and Curly Schwindt for their tireless efforts with ticket sales and being great, great friends of this wonderful lodge. To Kelly Stanley-Smith and the entire DOES membership who contribute so much to Lincoln Elks Lodge #80. To Vince Collura for his knowledge, wisdom, friendship and being such a great ambassador for all Elks. My thanks also to all the committees and their chairpersons for keeping this great heart of elkdom beating. To Connie Todd Moore and Kathy Meisinger for being my surrogate Mothers/Sisters? and for their hugely recognized efforts in almost all phases of our Lodge. To Jan Wieting and Suz Clinkenbeard for assisting with my installation and with various other dinners and functions. To our entire renovation committee who understand the need for overdue improvements. To Pam Flanagan, our expert chef whose culinary talents we have not seen in the lodge for some time and whose skills are probably underutilized.

My great admiration and respect goes to two people who have been my most constant companions and who have given me advice and guidance on almost everything, Rich Todd and Chuck Meisinger. I would truly have floundered like a live fish on a red-hot skillet without them. Without these two individuals, Lincoln Lodge #80 would have a hard time existing.

Last, but most important, I want to thank Jan, my wife of 20 years who has provided the utmost in support because she understands how important this was to me. Jan single handedly raises three children (two girls plus me!) and allows me the opportunity to be active in community and civic affairs. As I have said before, my children are, at times, raised by a single parent but Jan's love and devotion to the kids almost offsets my absence.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Tom Roper

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Jack Jensen	09	Don R Svoboda	29

PROPOSITION FOR MEMBERS

Jacob K. Wyant, sponsored by Dennis K. Smith.
Charles H. Roper, reinstatement.
William Johnson, transfer from Odessa, Texas, Lodge # 1630.

INITIATED

Mark A. Anderson, sponsored by Linda Denkinger.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Dale Adkins @ Homestead

NOTICE, NOTICE, NOTICE

The Lodge building will be closed on March 8 and 9. The people who will be installing the carpet will be starting on Friday night in the office entry, etc. By Saturday, they will be working on the Lodge room, Lounge area, and Card Room. Hopefully, everything should be back in order by Monday, March 10.

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER A FAVORITE NIGHT Tippin' at dusk, Dinin' at dark, & Dancin' til dawn

This is a night you will want to attend! For years folks have enjoyed this tasty all-you-can-eat Lodge dinner of corned beef brisket, tender cooked cabbage, and new potatoes simmered in butter and parsley, all accompanied by a salad and rye bread. Dessert will be ice cream, with a bottle of crème de menthe for sweet'n the frozen dew, or if you prefer, chocolate syrup.

Again this year, PER John Aman will prepare the brisket. He will be assisted by a great crew: Jason Jirsa, Randy King, PER Virg & Jan Wieting, Betty Akin, Terry Beyer and maybe Randy & Rosie Polak. There will be plenty of food. PER Aman guarantees you will not go away hungry!

The Wes Stebbins Trio (Wes, Dan Parsons & Jon Hischke) will be playing from about 7:30 til the crowd goes home. Last year they also led us in singing Irish tunes and had us dancing with a blend of sounds and tunes!

Blarney Stone Green Beer will be available for you to kiss and drink at just 75cents per draw, "startin' at whenever the Bartender decides she is ready".

We plan to cook about fifty extra pounds of brisket for sale after dinner. The price will be \$5.00 for two pounds. The remaining brisket usually sells out within a few minutes of being offered. This year we are offering a new service. If you cannot attend and want to pre-order a brisket, or if you want an extra one to take home, please call Cheri at the office (421-6363) and make arrangements.

So, come tip a few, enjoy a hearty meal, and dance away the evening doing a Irish jig, the swing, or just shake to the beat of your favorites, all for \$10. See you at the Lodge Blarney Stone on Saturday, the 15th of March!

ANNUAL DUES

It is again that time of the year when the dues need to be paid for the next year: April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004. I will be including the ID card for spouses, if I have the name in the Membership File.

We encourage rounding your payment to \$100 or some other convenient amount. Two potential contribution areas have been added to the dues statement again this year.

One is the Elks National Foundation (ENF). Each year we receive an amount from the Grand Lodge based on the amount our Lodge contributed to ENF the previous year. This year we have at this time (February 25) donated \$8.25 per member. This money goes to the very important scholarship program.

The second is the Renovation Fund. With this money we hope to be able to improve various areas in the lodge facilities. This year we are replacing the carpet. This is scheduled to happen on March 7-9. Other updating will be done as money permits.

I also wish to especially thank those who helped with the folding, stuffing and stamping the dues announcements this year. They were: Lew Cooley, Virgil Wieting and Jerry Gorton. Thank you very much for your efforts!

Neil Stuthmann, Secretary

THREE ELKS VOTED TO LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The Lodge moved three Elks to the Life Membership status at the February 5th meeting. G. R. Lott, Russell C. Reber and Lawrence W. Shepard have been Elks for fifty continuous years, completing at least the last ten years at the Lincoln Lodge #80. Everyone should congratulate these members for their achievement.

Farmers Bank

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Blue Star Flag Program (for families of Military Personnel)

During World War II, red bordered banners adorned with blue or gold stars on a field of white, hung in windows of homes who had family members serving in our Armed Forces. It was a way of honoring those men and women who were serving and protecting our country with their lives.

The Elk's Veteran's Committee will be working with the local American Legion in locating Active Personnel who are currently serving our country and who are related to an Elk.

We are requesting the following information:

1. Name of Active Duty Service, man or woman
2. Branch of service, rank, current base/ship
3. Relationship to family—husband, wife, or child

Please send this information to:

Elk's Lincoln Lodge No 80
5910 So. 58th
Lincoln Nebraska 68516
"Attention Veteran's Committee"

The Veteran's Committee will contact all individuals who respond. We are planning a recognition ceremony at a later time with refreshments. This will also be published in the Elk-O-Gram. We feel it is especially important at this time to honor those who are serving our country by providing their family with a Flag for display. Your promptness in replying to our request will be much appreciated so that we can accomplish this endeavor in a timely manner.

Sam Carter
Member, Veteran's Committee

DELINQUENT MEMBERS DROPPED

It is our sad duty to report that the following members will be dropped from the rolls of the Lodge for non-payment of dues. If you know any of these members, please give them a call and encourage them to contact Neil Stuthmann by the end of April to correct their status with out any penalties. 421-6363

- Sam Berk
- Donald J Betts
- Richard R Bruning
- John Bulin
- Kenneth L Cobb
- Darryn Fouts
- Terry L Gaber
- Douglas J Haggart
- Berne Hotchkiss
- Jason L Huenink
- Richard (Chip) E Huffman Iv
- Lawrence R Huls
- Donald W Jones
- Dennis D Knaub
- Robert A Manthey
- Thomas C Mara
- Marc D McNally
- Dan L Mosier
- Richard L Myers
- James M Nabb
- Harold A Parrott
- Judy Phelps
- Camille Powers
- Raymond J Pumel
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MENU SPECIALS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

In addition to the items we have on the menu, we have the daily specials. We have listed the specials here to give you a chance to "pick" your days to eat at the Lodge when something of special interest to you is available.

Date	The Days Special
	March
3	Pork Tenderloin w/side
4	Chicken Fried Chef Salad
5	French Dip w/Cottage Cheese
6	Sloppy Joes w/Choice of side
7	Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwich w/Fries
10	White Meat Chicken Gravy w/Biscuits
11	Chicken Fried Steak, Potatoes & Gravy w/Vegetable
12	Meatloaf w/Mashed or Baked Potato and Salad
13	Hearty Chile and Cinnamon Roll
14	Dried Beef Gravy w/Biscuits
17	Corned Beef and Cabbage w/Potatoes & Rye Bread
18	Fruit Plate w/Monterey Chicken Salad
19	French Dip w/Choice of side
20	Spaghetti w/Meat Balls and Garlic/Cheese Bread
21	Chile/Cheese Polish Dog
24	Reuben w/Fries
25	Grilled Chicken Breast
26	Pork Roast, Potatoes w/Fried Apples w/Cinnamon
27	Philly Steak
28	Cod Fish Sandwich w/Coleslaw
31	Mostocholli w/Meat Sauce and Side Salad
	April
1	Scalloped Potatoes w/Ham, Green Beans
2	Tuna Salad on Hoagie Roll w/Fruit Cup
3	Taco Salad
4	Meat & Cheese Enchiladas w/Salad



TWO DINNERS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL

On April 5th there will be the Inaugural Dinner for Glen Pumel, the newly elected Exalted Ruler. This will be a fine Prime Rib Dinner with all the trimmings. A Fish Fry with Gary and Marga Stauffer will be on April 11. They do one outstanding job in preparing and serving this dinner. We received many compliments on there previous renditions of their Fish Fry.

JANUARY CASH CALENDAR

The following list shows the daily winners of the Cash Calendar:

Terry Keck	\$65
Ron Skala	75
Stan Samulson	70
Tom Roper	50
Chris Armitan	50
Gary Kirisco	95
Allen Sneu	50
Sam Carter	60
Russell Schnert	50
Julie Ashoff	70
Richard Chubbuck, Sr.	75
Pamela Morton	55
Dale Nansen	50
Oliver Nesbitt	75
Jan Schew	50
Rob Lancaster	55
Curly Schwindt	70
Killy Dance	75
Lanny Davis	85
Larry Parker	100
Oliver Nesbitt	75
Chuck Peterson	80
Charles & Norma Kruse	50
Jean & Gordy Sorenson	60
Lori Mussack	250
Jean Teerhusen	55
Jack Judd, Jr.	50
Frosty Critchfield	50
Gary Stauffel	100
Bobbie Lane	75
John Walker	80

Home made soups will be one of the following on each day:

Chile	Beef Vegetable
Chicken Noodle	Clam Chowder
Chicken Vegetable	Ham & Bean
Potato/Cheese	Black Bean w/Bacon

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PAST EXALTED RULERS INITIATE ON FEBRUARY 19TH

Mark Anderson became the newest member of Lincoln Lodge on February 19th when a team of Past Exalted Rulers, led by Past Grand George Klein and Past Grand Vincent Collura performed the impressive Elks Initiation Ritual.

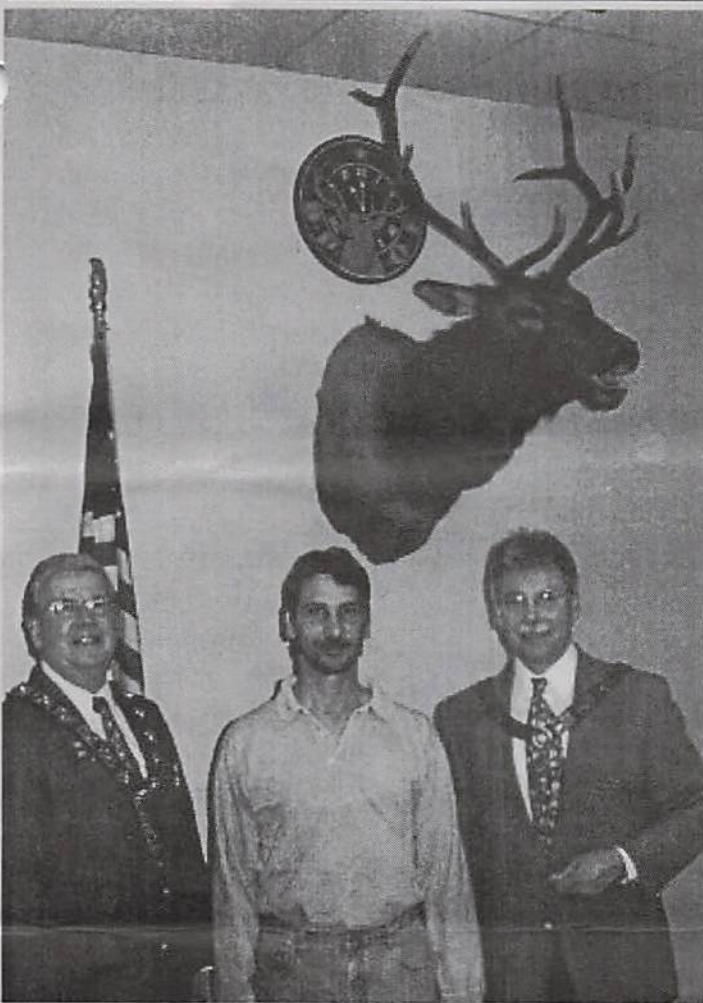
The second meeting night in February is set aside in every Lodge across the country for this special initiation. Others who have gone before show the current officers how they did it in their day. A dinner preceded this with 10 PERs and 6 current officers in attendance. A short business was also held and a new President of the PER association was elected. Virgil Weiting will head up the group through the fall meeting in 2004.

Discussion at the meeting centered on how we could make the PER group more involved, both socially and in the business of the Lodge.



L to R front row: Vince Collura, George Klein, Richard Todd, and Steve Wirth
L to R back row: Chuck Meisinger, Wes Durst, Charles Kruse, and Virgil Wieting

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L to R: Richard Todd, your newest member Mark Anderson, and Steve Wirth



LINCOLN LODGE #80 BOWLING

The results of competition on Tuesday, February 25, brought all teams in the league within 6 points of one another. This was the 23rd game out of 33 for the 2002-2003 season.

	WON	LOST
1. COCA COLA	43	26
2. CORNHUSKER PRINTING	42.5	26.5
3. AUTO CONNECTION	40	29
4. KLEIN'S KEGLERS	37.5	31.5
5. B & B PUMP SERVICE	37	32
6. BYE	0	69

RE-CREATION

A Colorful Celebration of Song

WHERE - Lincoln Veteran's Affairs Medical Center Auditorium

WHEN - April 21, 2003 @ 1400 (2pm)

Everybody is welcome; bring your friends, neighbors, and relatives. This could be the highlight of your week. If you haven't seen these young talents perform in the past, you don't know what you are missing.

Re-Creation's young entertainers canvas the great eras of American music with a show that delights all ages! Rhythm, style, and energy are brushed together perfectly to transform the stage into a wondrous show-place and unforgettable entertainment.

Free refreshments will follow the performance.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Submitted by the Veteran's Committee

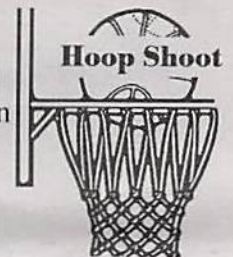
Vi Berst-Chairman

Sam Carter-member

HOOP SHOOT

The Hoop Shoot winners for Lincoln Lodge #80 for the year 2002-2003 were the following:

- 8-9 GIRL: Tayler Boshart of Lincoln
- 8-9 BOY: Jack Rodenburg of Lincoln
- 10-11 GIRL: Catherine Dahl of Lincoln
- 10-11 BOY: Travis Miller of Lincoln
- 12-13 GIRL: Alysa Lake of Lincoln
- 12-13 BOY: Ross Kremer of Lincoln



I would like to thank all the people that helped with the Hoop Shoot this year. The total participation was over 1600 kids at the Lincoln school level and 84 kids at the Lodge Shoot.

District Hoop Shoot

Lincoln Lodge #80 had 2 winners at district level this year. Tayler Boshart, 8-9 Girl category, won with a 21 over Ashley Hansen of Fairbury who shot a 12. The second Lincoln winner, Travis Miller, 10-11 Boy category, tied with Jordan Junker of Fairbury with 20, the two of them shot off 4 times before the tie was broken by Travis.


At the State Hoop Shoot, Travis got 2nd place with a 20/25, and Taylor got 2nd place with 14/25.

Glen Pumel, Hoop Shoot Chairman



MARCH 2003

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

 ST. PATRICK'S DINNER & DANCE  MARCH 15TH							1
2	3	4	5 Trustees-6:30 LODGE MTG. 7:30	6	7	8 LODGE CLOSED (carpeting)	
9 LODGE CLOSED (carpeting)	10	11 BEER & BURGER NIGHT	12	13	14	15 ER/Sec. Seminar, Grand Island, Corned Beef Dinner Cocktails 5:30 Dinner 6:30	
16	17	18	19 Trustees-6:30 LODGE MTG. 7:30	20 PITCH TOURNEY DINNER 6:00 CARDS 6:30	21	22	
23	24	25 BEER & BURGER NIGHT	26	27	28	29	
30	31	CHECK THE DAILY LUNCHEON SPECIAL SEE YOU AT THE CLUB					

PITCH -We need 10 teams, 75¢ beers. Sign up at the club or call in your reservation 421-6363.

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