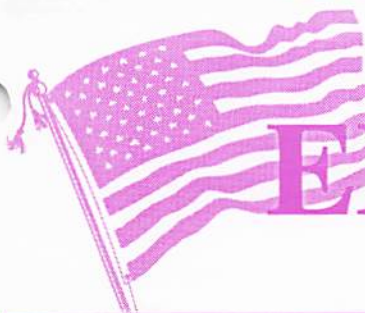


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## St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dessert



Saturday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of March Cocktails @ 6:00 pm with Dinner @ 7:00



Tippin' & Dinin' & Desserts

Cooking by PER John Aman and the Loyal Leprechauns

**\$10.00**  
per person

Corned Beef Brisket, Cabbage, Carrots, & Parsley Potatoes, \* (Salad & Rye Bread will also be available)  
Dessert: ice cream w/ crème de menthe & toppings \* Special treats & sweets \* Blarney Stone Green Brew, too.

Please call Bud Dietrich (488-1510) or you may reserve your tickets by calling the bold lads n' bonnie lasses at the Lodge bar & Lodge Office.

**ONLY**  
**\$10.00**

## Fish Dinner



**Fish, potato salad, baked beans,  
rolls, butter & dessert**

**Friday, April 7th Cocktails 5:30pm Dinner 6:30pm**

### Unpaid Membership Dues For 2005-2006

Paul Burklund  
Richard Busch  
R. W. Mahoney  
David Fletcher  
Sanford Ploack  
Gary Reineke  
W. J. Hannah  
Dean Sell

Garry Stauffer  
Jason Huenink  
Randall Polak  
James Burianek  
Gerald Barret  
Donald Cotton  
David Reiber  
M. A Owens

Don Miller  
Watson Brower, III  
Paul Koehrsen  
Rod Rozanek  
Jeremy Arnholt  
Alex Filbert  
Charles Zelewski  
Gus Kontras

Larry Ossenkop  
Roger Zajicek  
Richard Collura  
Joel Mcgreer  
Victor Musselman  
Forest Boyum  
Russell Raybould  
Philip Miller

Douglas Haggart

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

# Exalted Ruler, Sonny Lane



I must address two subjects that I have been talking about for the last two years. They are Membership and Lapsation. I need for everyone to understand why these are important. Our Lodge is a non profit organization that survives off of membership dues, donations and fund raising. The fewer members we have the fewer funds we have to pay bills. This puts an increased pressure on donations and fundraising. The fewer members we have the fewer donations. This puts an increased pressure on fund raising. See the snow ball rolling? We need every member we can get and we need to keep them members. **The following is a list of the accomplishments that all the members of Lincoln Lodge #80 were responsible for this year just by paying their membership dues.**

- Over 2100 Kids received drug awareness packages from us.
- 120 kids and 350 spectators participated in the Soccer Shoot.
- Over 1400 kids and 250 spectators participated in the hoop shoot.
- We entertained over 700 kids and 500 adults at the 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas party. \$7400 raised.
- We raised \$12,000 to replace our roof.
- We will give out close to \$20,000 for scholarships this fall.
- We recognized 160 outstanding students at youth recognition night in May.
- We supported Elk's Midget Football with a \$3800.00 donation. 105 kids are on this team

We presented 21 Eagle Scouts with Flags and Certificates.

We conducted 3 Merit Badge clinics for Scouts.

We will be offering a Hunters Safety Class in February for Scouts.

We are visiting Veterans in hospitals and nursing homes on a weekly basis. Our last visit was valued at \$1557.00.

We have a full complement of Officers and are doing Ritual from memory and will be competing in State and hopefully National contests.

Unfortunately we had 17 deaths this year and lost some very good members. We have 32 members that have not paid their dues.

Are you proud of what WE have done this year? I am extremely proud. You have made this possible with your membership dues, your donations and fund raising. We owe Esther and Paulding Smith a big thank you and we owe all the Elk Members that volunteer their help to run these wonderful events.

If our membership fails to hold or grow, if we cannot count on you for donations, if you cannot help us with fund raising the Lodge will fail. Our efforts will become memories. The help we extend to the community will be forgotten. The donation we received from the Smith's will be turned over to the Grand Lodge.

Ask someone to join this week. Show them this letter and what WE do and have done.

Fraternally Yours, Sonny Lane

**Nebraska Elks Charity ENF Banks (the red cardboard banks) should be turned into the Elk's Office by the end of March**

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Lecturing Knight.....	Doug Rienks		
Esquire .....	John Brooks		
Inner Guard.....	Chris Herndon		
Tiler.....	Sam R. Carter		

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Pictured above are Colby Dahlke & Randy King  
Colby Dahlke from Troop 54 in Lincoln,  
received his Eagle Scout Award at Cathedral of  
the Risen Christ Church on February 18, 2006.  
Randy King(Lodge Chaplain) presented Colby  
with the American Flag.

**Christmas Party Donations**  
Gerry Grouch  
Vance James  
Jack Irwin

**Help Wanted:**  
**Beer & Burger Night**  
**Volunteers**

**Sponsors for dinners**

**Someone to organize**  
**a Texas Hold'em**  
**Tournament**

Contact:

The Lodge Office To Volunteer 421-6363



Pictured above are participants in the  
Hunter Safety Class

Hunters Safety was held on February 17 & 18  
at the Lodge. 49 youth, all but one Boy Scouts  
participated, as well as 16 adults. All passed  
their Hunters Safety Certification. All the  
Scouts also qualified for the majority of the  
Rifle and Shotgun Merit Badges. Range time  
for completion of the Rifle Merit Badge to  
be arranged through Nebraska Game and  
Parks. Mike Wuerfele and Randy King  
presented the course, Elks member  
Terry Hagan and his son were also present.  
PER John Aman graciously donated his time  
and culinary expertise by cooking burgers,  
beans and fries for everyone present. The  
Lodge provided refreshments Friday evening  
and Saturday for all in attendance. The course  
was well recieved, and our Lodge and it's  
Youth Activities were positively portrayed.  
Another Hunter's Safety course will be  
planned for fall.

## Incoming Exalted Ruler, Jeff Sneller



all of us how important and dire this is. Only WE can help ourselves, no one else is going to recruit new members for us. I challenge each and every one of you to ask a daughter, son, grandson or granddaughter and friend to join us in the important endeavors we take on. If you don't ASK the answer will always be no. We NEED new members to unite and advance the Elks Care Elks Share motto that drives this great institution and our Lodge.

Fraternally,  
Jeff Sneller  
Incoming Exalted Ruler

Dear Members:

It is a privilege and an honor to have been elected as your E.R. for the year 2006/2007, I assume this role with the intent of helping the Lodge grow and unite during this year. You have elected and I have appointed a team of Officers and Trustees whom I feel will be very good for the Lodge and can guide us through some difficult decisions and focus us on becoming a stronger and more unified Lodge.

The installation of Officers and Trustees will be held on Wednesday April 5th with a reception following. I encourage you to attend this installation so you can meet this new team and most importantly that we can begin to know you and get your ideas in helping us make Lincoln Lodge 80 better during this new year. I strongly encourage positive input and ideas from everyone.

Your have heard PER Sony Lane on many occasion tell how important new members are to the Lodge, I will continue to impress upon

## Officers for 2006-2007

ER- Jeff Sneller  
Leading Knight – Terry Edwards  
Loyal Knight – OPEN  
Lecturing Knight – John Brooks  
Inner Guard – OPEN  
Treasurer – Duane Vanderbeek  
Secretary – Jason Brooks  
Trustees 5 year – Sonny Lane  
4 year – John Aman  
3 year – Virgil Wieting  
2 year – Roger Pickering  
1 year – Tom Roper

Installation of  
the New Officers  
will be  
April 5th at 7:30 pm

**PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Bill Dawes proposed by Sonny Lane  
 Paige Zutavern proposed by Sonny Lane  
 Todd Speidill proposed by Sonny Lane  
 Steve Massey proposed by Sonny Lane  
 James Austin proposed by Sonny Lane  
 Rob Kurth proposed by Sonny Lane  
 Jack Russell proposed by Sonny Lane  
 Cynthia Graham proposed by Sonny Lane  
 Jerry Wilson transfer from Kearney

**"Lodge Of Sorrow"****Earl Chrestensen 51 Year Life Member****Sickness & Distress****Jerry Crouch at home**

Membership Drawings  
 Names For February Meetings  
 Martin Kelly & David Kirby  
 Neither member were winners!

The pot has grown to \$364.00

*To Win You Must Attend The Lodge Meetings!*

Hidden #12754 Richard Collura for February



## Happy Birthday



William Smejdir	4	John Boosalis	14
Cleve Stauffer	4	Carl Christophersen	16
Frank Vogt	4	Mark Whitehead	17
William Fry	5	Kenneth Maser	18
Bernard Dow	6	Richard McCashland	19
Kenneth Tenhulzen	7	Larry Ossenkop	19
Donald Zeiss	7	John Weber	19
Dennis Dickerson	8	Larry Jurgens	21
Jason Jirsa	8	Charles Cordes	25
Richard Blomgren	9	Robert Kloch	26
Jack Jensen	9	Roger Pickering	26
Dan Mosier	10	Donald Wright	28
Robert Logsdon	12	Don Svoboda	29
Paul Koehrsen	13		

**ELKs 2006 St. PATTY'S DINNER****Tippin', Dinin', & Desserts at the Lodge**

On Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, everyone is invited to the Lodge for this tasty **all-you-can-eat** Lodge dinner of corned beef brisket, tender cooked cabbage, new potatoes simmered in butter and parsley, carrots, with a full salad selection and rye bread. Dessert will be ice cream, with crême de menthe for sweet'n the frozen dew, as well as a variety of other toppings. This year, Cook John Aman will be assisted by a great crew: Jason Jirsa, John Brooks, Randy King, and Charles Aman. There will be plenty of food. The Crew guarantees you will not go away hungry!

Blarney Stone Green Beer will be available. All draw beer will sell for Happy Hour prices, startin' at 4 o'clock or whenever Roxy the Bartender is good n' ready!

We plan to cook some extra brisket for sale after dinner. We strongly suggested that you reserve your take home ahead of time by calling either the Lodge; or by you may call John Aman directly at his office (475-7500) and follow the simple phone prompt. The price will be about the same as last year, around \$4.00 per pound, with a two-pound minimum. The remaining brisket usually sells out within fifteen minutes of being offered.

This year we are again offering a pre-ordered take out brisket dinner, as well as substituting chicken strips if your date does not like brisket. Please call Cheri at the office (421-6363) to make these special arrangements.

So, come tip a few, enjoy a hearty meal, top it off with a delicious dessert, kiss something green, and have fun – all for ten bucks! See you at the Lodge Blarney Stone on Saturday, the 11<sup>th</sup>!

## Americanism Essay Contest Winners To Read Essays At Burger Night

March 28th will be a very special night. Joining us for our burger night will be the student winners for the Americanism Essay Contest. They will read their essays following dinner. Also joining us will be their teachers, several veterans from nursing homes in the area and veterans from our lodge. We will provide the meal to all students, teachers and veterans at our expense.

**Elk-O-Gram Articles Are Due The 15th of Every Month**

Articles can be turned in to the Elk's Lodge Office or delivered to to John Brooks at FASTSIGNS 5530 "O" Street. You can e-mail articles & pictures to [john.brooks@fastsigns.com](mailto:john.brooks@fastsigns.com)



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**Calendar of Events**  
**March 2006**

- 1 Lodge
- 11 St. Patty's Day Dinner
- 14 Beer & Burger
- 15 Lodge
- 28 Burger Night (Veterans & Americanism Essay Winners)

**April 2006**

- 5 Lodge (Installation of Officers)
- 7 Fish Fry 5:30 Cocktails 6:30 Dinner

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