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



On Sunday July 17th, Lodge #80 is honored to host the motorcycle riders who are traveling cross country to escort the Fallen Soldiers Memorial Flame from Eugene, OR to Arlington National Cemetery in Washington DC in honor and as tribute to America's fallen service members.

This will be their 13th Annual ride and each year they partner with Elks Lodges across the country to host them for their overnight stays in large

part due to the Elks' involvement in Veteran support.

As their procession makes its way across the Country, they make stops at the homes of fallen service members, known as Fallen Soldier Home Visits. At these visits, they present families a Memorial Plaque of Distinguished Service to recognize their service and to serve as a reminder that their fallen hero hasn't been forgotten.

If you're able, please join us in welcoming these riders and supporting their mission!



## Who's Ready For A Picnic?!

Join us Saturday July 16th for Rotisserie Chicken, Melon Salad, Mashed Potatoes, and Corn on the Cob with a festive Red, White, and Blue poke cake for dessert. \$12/ Person



## Come Celebrate Summer!

Join us Saturday August 6th for Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, a Dinner Roll, House Salad, and Carrot cake for dessert. \$12/ Person



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

It's that time of year for warm temperatures, and along with the warm temperatures, the storms have arrived. It seems like the weather is all people have been talking about lately!

It's also the time of year for our Grand Lodge Convention, and one of my responsibilities as Exalted Ruler is to represent our Lodge at the Grand Lodge Convention in Atlanta. In the months before the Convention, proposed changes to the Grand Lodge Statutes are sent to each Lodge for review, and each Lodge is required to vote whether to accept or reject the proposed changes. It is my duty at Grand Lodge to cast the vote either for or against these changes as directed by our Lodge members. I will also be attending as many of the break-out sessions as possible to learn as much as I can from our Grand Lodge Committee Chairpersons. I will also make sure to attend the Grand Island Ritual Team's performance when they represent our State in the Ritual Contest. I look forward to this chance to gain more knowledge about our Order, and the opportunity to interact with Elks from all around the Nation.

A big THANK YOU goes out to Harry Montag for Chairing the Veterans Committee for the last few years. Harry took over this program and led it with passion and enthusiasm. Harry has done an excellent job and will definitely be missed, although I'm confident he will still be involved.

I would like to welcome Milt Schmidt as the new Chairperson for our Veterans Committee. Milt has kindly agreed to head this important Lodge Committee and I am confident that he will do an excellent job.

We held our Flag Day ceremony on June 12th. For those of you who were unable to attend, you missed a very nice presentation about the history of our Country's Flag. All of the Officers did an excellent job, and I would like to thank Maureen Sadler for stepping in to help fill the Chaplain's position. This year the American Legion Post 3 Honor Guard presented the flags for the ceremony. A huge THANK YOU goes out to the Honor guard for the excellent way that they handled the flag presentations.

*Thanks, Larry*

### Secretary's Corner

Welcome to our new members Jim and Beverly Erickson, who have come to us from the Lake Taneycomo, MO lodge!

Summer is well underway. A hot summer afternoon might be a good opportunity to stop down to the Jolly Corks for a cool afternoon beverage and some conversation! Hours are Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, 3 pm to 7 pm, and Friday 3 pm to 9 pm.



### -Secretary's Corner con't -

Volunteer opportunities abound at the lodge. We have many of the same members stepping forward again and again, and burn-out is a real threat. Please – if you come to a dinner, lend a hand in cleaning up, or at the very least, clean up the area where you and your family were seated. If you would like to come early and help set up, or if you would like to help serve, just step forward. If you see something that needs to be done, let me know – or better yet, if it's within your ability to do it, just do it! This is a fraternal organization, and we have very few paid employees. Most everything is done by volunteers! And when the call comes out for participation in an outside opportunity to serve, please step forward if you are interested! It would be lovely if every able lodge member made it a personal priority to participate in at least one activity a year. Participation means you get to know other members, and you get to feel good about helping others.

As we emerge from pandemic mode, there will be more and more opportunities to serve the Vets, the youth of Lincoln - lunch with WE CAN DO THIS, Christmas activities, Teen of the Year, lodge scholarships, Youth Football, Hoop Shoot, and Junior Recognition are just a few of the ways we can be involved. If you have any questions about what these entail, just ask me or another officer and we can point you in the right direction! 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*

### Does Dispatch

Super Saver fund raiser Saturday, July 3rd from 10 am until 2 pm, at the outrageous cost of \$3. Be there!! We got rained out in June but the upside of this was that Nebraska got some much needed rain...the downside being that there was a lot of storm damage in neighboring towns and communities.

Our next regular meeting will be Wednesday, July 13th at 5:30 pm. We also decided we do need to have a regular meeting in August as we need to be sure our ducks are in order for manning the concession stands at the UNL football games. Beginning with an August 28th game in Dublin, Ireland, it will be the last time we meet before a 3-in-a-row home game streak starts, then one week off, and another home game on Oct. 1st. Our feet (and our team) will be tired, but this is our main fund raiser for our chapter. Try to stay cool, dry, and have a great summer. See you at the Lodge!

*Sandy Reiber, Secretary ~ 402-432-0222 (text or phone) or email me at: sreiber@windstream.net*



# July 2022

| SUN                             | MON                                          | TUE                                                                     | WED                                           | THU                             | FRI                | SAT                                                  |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                              |                                                                         |                                               |                                 | 1                  | 2                                                    |
| 3                               | 4 Closed                                     | 5<br>Pitch 3p                                                           | 6 Closed                                      | 7                               | 8                  | 9<br>Room rented                                     |
| 10                              | 11 Closed<br>Trustee meeting 6-7             | 12<br>Pitch 3p<br>Burger Nite 5:30p<br>Am Legion Aux 6p<br>Am Legion 7p | 13 Closed<br>DOES 5:30<br>Corvette Club 5:30p | 14                              | 15<br>Bass Club 7p | 16<br>Chicken Dinner<br>Cocktails 5:30<br>Serve 6:30 |
| 17<br>Veteran's<br>Memorial Run | 18 Closed                                    | 19<br>Pitch 3p<br>Am. Legion 40/8 7p                                    | 20 Closed<br>House 6p<br>Lodge 7p             | 21<br>American Legion<br>Aux 3p | 22                 | 23                                                   |
| 24/31                           | 25 Closed<br>LEL charitable fund inc.<br>7 p | 26<br>Pitch 3p                                                          | 27 Closed                                     | 28                              | 29                 | 30                                                   |

# August 2022

| SUN                    | MON       | TUE                                | WED                                            | THU                    | FRI                    | SAT                                                   |
|------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                        | 1 Closed  | 2<br>Pitch 3p                      | 3 Closed                                       | 4                      | 5                      | 6<br>Meatloaf Dinner<br>Cocktails 5:30<br>Dinner 6:30 |
| 7                      | 8 Closed  | 9<br>Pitch 3p<br>Burger Nite 5:30p | 10 Closed<br>DOES 5:30p<br>Corvette Club 5:30p | 11                     | 12                     | 13<br>Room rented                                     |
| 14                     | 15 Closed | 16<br>Pitch 3p                     | 17 Closed<br>House 6p<br>Lodge 7p              | 18                     | 19<br>Bass Club 7p     | 20                                                    |
| 21                     | 22 Closed | 23<br>Pitch 3p                     | 24 Closed                                      | 25<br>State Conference | 26<br>State Conference | 27<br>State Conference                                |
| 28<br>State Conference | 29 Closed | 30<br>Pitch 3p                     | 31 Closed                                      | 1                      | 2                      | 3                                                     |



## ...Our Members...

**Sickness & Distress:** None

**Deaths:** None

**Members for Consideration:** Emily Kennedy, proposed by P.E. R. Larry Bratt.

**Members Reinstated:** None

**Members Elected:** James & Beverly Erickson, transfers from Lodge #2597 in Lake Taneycomo, MO.

**Members Initiated:** None

**Hidden Number:** 15892

March's hidden number was Jody Schrage 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 June 1st meeting was for \$250. Gary Pohlmann was the lucky name, but he was not in attendance... neither was Randy King on June 15th, he missed out on \$250. You have to come to meetings to win!  
Next meeting is July 20th at 7 pm!

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## Committee Reports

**Americanism:** No Report.

**Boy Scouts:** 5 flags awarded for Eagles from Troop 76 at Camp Ashland, NE

**Drug Awareness:** No Report.

**Girl Scouts:** No Report.

**Hide Program:** No Report

**Hoop Shoot:** No Report.

**House Committee:** No Report.

**ENF:** The 2022-2023 goal is pending. Donations for ENF have not been sent in yet.

**Membership:** 228 members, 23 delinquent.

**Lincoln Youth Football:** Registration has begun for the upcoming season.

**Retention:** No Report.

**Scholarship:** Scoring of applications completed.

**Soccer Shoot:** No Report.

**Social Community Welfare:** No Report.

**Veterans Committee:** No Report.

*Committee reports are minimal due to our meetings being abbreviated. Many Lodge activities are on hold due to COVID19 concerns.*

**NEW HOURS**

**TUESDAY, THURSDAY**  
3pm - 7 pm

**FRIDAY**  
3 PM - 9 pm

**SATURDAY**  
3 PM - 7 pm

LINCOLN ELKS LODGE #80

### Did you see this message? Let us know!

As with all of the other changes going on in the world around us, we're taking a look at how our Membership views their Elk-o-Gram (...or if they don't. Yeah, we know...). Do you wait for it to show up in the mail? Visit the Lodge website and view it online? Via your email? Would you like to receive it in a different manner than you currently are? Please let us know! Call Laurie at the Lodge, let her know how you see your EOG!

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### 2022-2023 Elks' Lodge #80 Officers

|                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Exalted Ruler.....</b>     | Larry Schwindt      |
| <b>Leading Knight.....</b>    | Larry Bratt         |
| <b>Loyal Knight.....</b>      | Dr. William Jackson |
| <b>Lecturing Knight.....</b>  | Bryan Leavitt       |
| <b>Esquire.....</b>           | Troy Pederson       |
| <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:  
August 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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## **Notes from the Trustees**

In the Trustees meeting we discussed the monthly reports which all are looking good. Still trying to find out from Grand Lodge more detail on our insurance coverage before we can move forward.

Just a reminder to all members that if we use something from the lodge, please put it back. Recently items have come up missing, so if we use something just remember to put it back. In the same vein, if something that you've used winds up broken or empty, let an Officer or Trustee know so it can be replaced!

The Lodge is doing a 50/50 raffle at the June and July dinners with the proceeds going to help the *Tribute to Fallen Soldiers Memorial Torch Motorcycle Ride* which will pass through Lincoln on July 17th.

The AC in the kitchen is not working, so funds were approved to have the repairs done. Please note and plan to attend the upcoming dinners: July a Chicken Dinner, August a Meatloaf Dinner, and September a Pot Roast Dinner. These dinners are important to the Lodge, as it provides a means of getting members together and they also bring income for the Lodge.



Scott Schrage

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!*



A big shout out to our members who volunteered to work at the lodge in June 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 June (with kudos to any we may inadvertently miss): Larry Bratt; Jen Giese; Larry and Vicki Jurgens; Randy King; Harry and Laurie Montag; Jody and Scott Schrage; Milt and Linda Schmidt; Maggie and Colin Schumacher and Paige; Larry Schwindt. And a special thanks to the Northeast Football team, including many former Elks players, for lending a hand with cleanup!

## **Karaoke at the Lodge**

The crew has decided to take a sabbatical for the summer months, so Karaoke will return in September. Mark your calendar for September 15!



## **Happy July Birthdays!**

- |                       |                              |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 05 - Imre Bonyhady    | 20 - Charles Aman            |
| Diane Zabokrtsky      | 24 - Helen Burks             |
| 09 - Drew Marcarelli  | Wade Graft                   |
| Russell Smith         | 28 - Ashleigh Lange-Peterson |
| 10 - Jeff Sneller     | 29 - Dennis Macek            |
| 11 - Greg Hansen      | Donald McGinnis              |
| 13 - James Ray        | 30 - Reggie Buckmaster       |
| 14 - Xavier Shiu      | Randy King                   |
| 16 - Paul Holt        | 31 - David Reiber            |
| 17 - Duane Vanderbeek |                              |
| 18 - Diane Dannelly   |                              |

## **2022-2023 Committees**

**Accident:** Scott Schrage  
**Activities:** Harry Montag, PER  
**Americanism:**  
**Auditing:** Jody Schrage  
**Benevolence:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 2VP  
**By-Laws Changes:**  
**Christmas:** Larry Schwindt, ER, PER, PSP  
**Community Activities:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 2VP  
**Drug Awareness:** Harry Montag, ER, PER  
**Eagle Scouts:** Randy King  
**Elks Memorial Day:** Larry Jurgens  
**ENF:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 2VP  
**Flag Day:**  
**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, 2VP  
**Membership:** Larry Schwindt ER, PSP, PER  
**PER Association:** Larry Bratt, PER, PDDGER, 2VP  
**Public Relations:** Harry Montag, PER  
**Ritual:** Larry Bratt PER, PDDGER, 2VP  
**Scholarship:** Laurie Montag PER  
**Soccer Shoot:**  
**Standing Relief:** Laurie Montag PER  
**State Major Projects:** Larry Schwindt ER, PSP, PER  
**Veterans:** Harry Montag, PER  
**Youth Activities:** Laurie Montag PER



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)





The Veterans Committee arranged for our Lodge to have a booth at the Veterans Freedom Music Festival on June 11<sup>th</sup>. During the event we handed out drug awareness literature and frisbees. Attendance for the event was low this year compared to past years, but it gave us time to talk with the Veterans as they stopped by our booth. Thank you to the following people who took time to volunteer at the booth: Milt Schmidt, Jen Giese, William Jackson, Lu Hamilton, Larry Bratt and Larry Schwindt.

### Happy August Birthdays!

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 02 - Ward Hoppe   | 14 - Jody Schrage   |
| Milt Schmidt      | 16 - Fred Gustin    |
| 03 - John Vermass | 17 - Marvin Logan   |
| 08 - Harbans Diol | 19 - Dick Wolf      |
| 10 - Bob Gade     | 23 - Stephen Wirth  |
| 11 - Mark Maxwell | 24 - Deborah Burns  |
| 13- John Aman     | 28 - Diana McNeese  |
| Harry Malone      | 29 - Ron Bonebright |
| Jerry Wilson      | 30 - Neal Anthony   |

5 new Eagle Scouts from Troop 76 in Waverly, receiving their Flags from Elks Lodge #80, at Camp Ashland on Father's Day. Big Thanks to Harry, Laurie, Troy and Maureen for giving up part of their day to award these young men their Flags!



*Lodge 80's heartfelt sympathies are extended to:*

- Bob Taylor, 69-year member, in the loss of his wife Beverly on May 31, 2022.

- Sammi Montag and boyfriend Alex Akhgari in the loss of Alex's brother Camron. Sympathy cards may be sent in care of the Lodge by July 10, and we will make sure they are delivered to our bereaved members.

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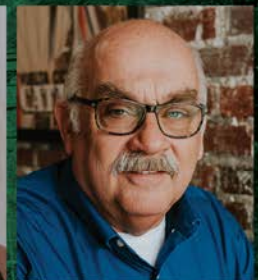
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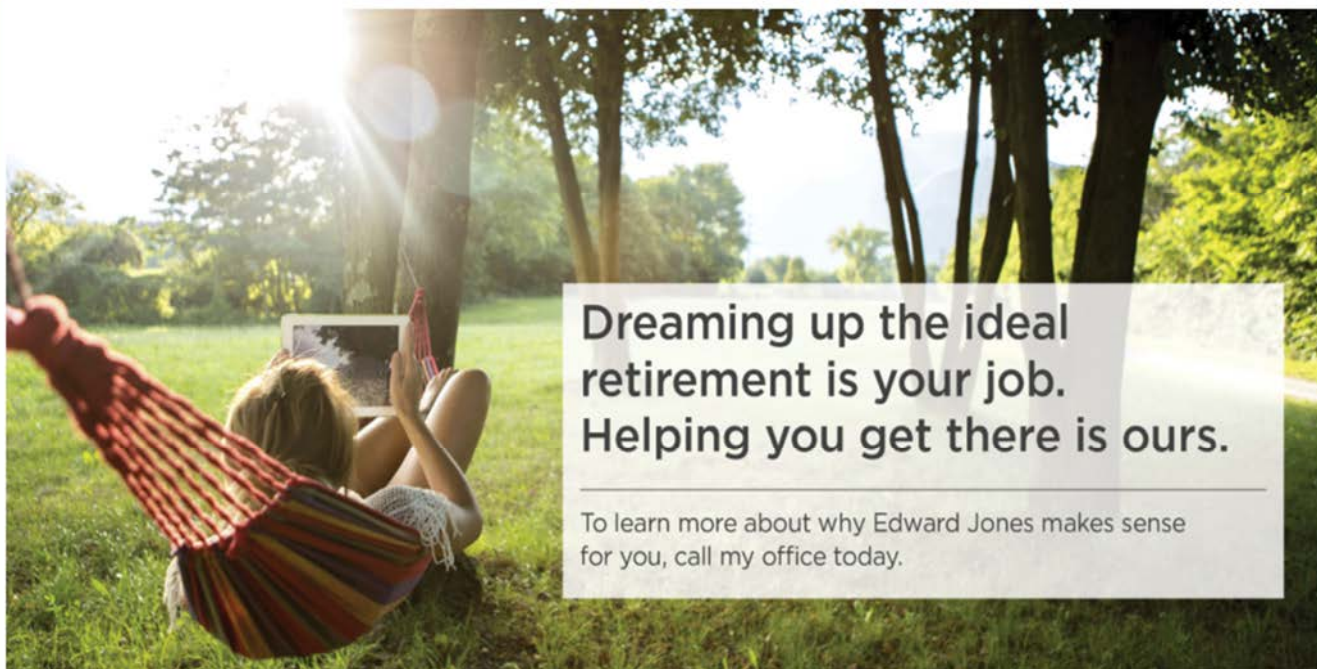
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Lodge 80 GOAL: Not yet declared for 2022

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



*Many thanks to the members of the Legion Honor Guard who assisted in the presentation of the Flags we celebrate on Flag Day - we appreciate your service!*