



NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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A Special "Thank You" from "Special People"~~~~~

To the Members of Nebraska Grand Chapter:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of Nebraska Grand Chapter who had a part in making our Official Visit to your "Treasures of The Heart" Grand Chapter Session last May so memorable. It was wonderful to see how, not only each of us, but all the members of our Fabulous Fraternal Family and your other Distinguished Guests were made to feel so welcome. Please know we appreciated all courtesies extended and wish for Nebraska Grand Chapter, your subordinate chapters, and each of your members all good wishes and success as you continue to work for the good of our beautiful Order. We look forward to seeing and greeting many of you at our General Grand Chapter Triennial Assembly which will be held in Minneapolis, MN, October 26th thru November 2nd in 2006. Please make plans to be with us. With fraternal love,

Pat Rasmusson
Most Worthy Grand Matron
Loyal Stark
Most Worthy Grand Patron

And, speaking of Minneapolis >>>

Plans are in progress for Nebraska's trip to the 2006 Triennial Assembly. Sign up at the Area Visitations to receive information on the trip, or call the Chairman, Sister Cyn Norman, PGM at (308) 882-4495. Get your name on the list even if you think you MIGHT be interested—it's the only way you will receive the information!

Noah's Dog 'N Jog
Put September 11 on your calendar, get on your



walking shoes and join me for Noah's Dog 'N Jog.

Registration will start at 10:30 am at the City Park in Crete, 12th & Linden. There will be a competitive race starting at 11:00 a.m. and a 3.2 mile walk (or shorter if you prefer) following that race.

My friend Bev Pickering has made some pledge forms for you if you'd like to sign up some sponsors and help raise money for training my canine friends who give their lives in service to their masters. A form is included with this NEWS and you can make all the copies you need. Hope to see many of you in Crete on September 11, 2005. I'm so Proud to have Noah's right here in Nebraska!

Love, *Darby*

P.S. Thanks for filling Jan's film canisters. The "Official Grand Chapter Quarter Counter" reports that as of July 18, \$522.99 has been collected. Keep saving Quarters—together we can do great things for Noah's Assistance Dogs.



the receipts, please go ahead and use them—we can make our own line!! Thanks.



At this time, I am chaparoning the students who are attending the Masonic Band Camp. What a privilege it is for us to work together as a Masonic Family for our youth.

We are having such a good time at our Area Visitations and we hope you are too. It's such fun to see you laugh and enjoy yourselves. We are enjoying the new speaker system with the portable microphones—they give all of us a chance to be heard! Thanks for all you planned for us at the Visitations—we look forward to more fun in the next few months!—Jan, W.G.M.



We Are----
People of
Vision----

February 18, 2006 is the date set for Nebraska's Second Vision Leadership Conference. The conference this year will be held in North Platte. Those of you who attended the last conference in Hastings already know what is in store for you, so encourage other members of your Chapters to attend—why not set a goal for all of your officers to attend?

FAMILY DAY—APRIL 9 TH

DUES RECEIPTS—Many of you have noticed that the 2006 dues receipts recently mailed to you do not have a line to record the amount paid. Since we have paid for the printing and mailing of

"Picture Special Moments"—

They are happening in 2005-2006



Attend these OES Family events:

July:

- 30th: Card Party & Salad Luncheon—10 am—3 pm (lunch at noon), West Omaha Masonic Temple, 2424 S. 135th Ave. Cost: \$5.00 per person. Sponsored by Trinity Chapter No. 299
- 31st: Annual Corn Feed—11am-2 pm, West Omaha Masonic Temple, 2424 S. 135th Ave. Sponsored by Fontenelle Chapter No. 249 and Centennial Lodge. For tickets call Lorna (402) 333-5829.

August:

- 5, 6, 7: Nebraska hosts the annual 5-State Celebration, Embassy Suites, Downtown/Old Market, Omaha
- 7th: Reception for Grand Adah, Sister Billie Mattern, 1-3-pm West Omaha Masonic Temple. Hosted by Trinity Chapter No. 299.
- 10th-12th: Wyoming Grand Chapter, Cheyenne Wyoming
- 11th: Arbor Vitae Chapter Ice Cream Social and meeting—7:30 pm, Fremont Masonic Center, 350 E. 23rd Street
- 13th: Area Visitation—11:30 am, Hampton Inn & Suites Convention Center 301 W. Hwy. 26, Scottsbluff. Cost: \$10.00. Call Ruth (308) 632-8614 for reservations and information
- 13th: Area Visitation—6:30 pm, Alliance Masonic Temple, 123 W. 3rd St. For reservations call Marilyn at (308) 762-5215
- 17th: Polish Luau—5-7pm, Oshkosh City Park. Cost: \$6.00; kids under 8 free. Sponsored by Oshkosh Chapter No. 264.
- 20th: Area Visitation—CL Jones Middle School Cafeteria, 325 Park Ave, Minden . Registration at 11 am. Call Loraine (308) 425-3608 for reservations and information.
- 20: Reception for Delbert Rogers, Grand Chaplain, CL Jones Middle School, Minden, 2-3 pm. Hosted by Franklin Chapter No. 213.
- 20th: Red Hat Salad Luncheon/Card Party—12 noon, 5903 Maple Street, Omaha. Sponsored by Narcissus No. 269. Cost: \$7. Call Bev (402) 681-5088 or Berta (402) 558-7882 for tickets.
- 20th: Area Visitation & Reception for Deb Pickrel, Grand Electa—United Methodist Church, 414 3rd St. Phillips, 6:30 pm. Cost: \$8.00. Call Betty (402) 886-2206 for reservations
- 27th: Area Visitation—Valentine-Ainsworth Area—noon visit
- 27th: Area Visitation—Mullen Area—evening visit

September:

- 3rd: Open House to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Brother Bob (PGP) and Sister Roma Rhodes—5-7pm; Dance to Swing Music 7-10pm. Flying V Ballroom. From Utica Exit #366 North 2 ½ miles. Your "presence" will be the only "present" they want! Call Roma: (402) 576-3461
- 11th 100th Anniversary Celebration of Rob Morris Chapter No. 192, Stromsburg, 2:30-4:30 pm, Stromsburg Masonic Hall, 212 Commercial (behind Dubas Funeral Home)
- 11th: Dog N' Jog for Noah's Assistance Dogs. Crete City Park 12th & Linden. Be ready to turn over your pledge forms and funds collected to Bev Pickering at that time.
- 9th-10th: Nebraska South Dakota Exchange, Ainsworth Nebraska, Burke, South Dakota—call for details
- 21-23: Colorado Grand Chapter
- 24th: 2005 Masonic Family Harvest Tea—2-4 pm, Scottish Rite Temple, 332 Centennial Mall S., Lincoln. Cost: \$8. For reservations call Carolyn (402) 2477-9464 or Mary Ann (402) 483-4668. No tickets sold at the door. Proceeds to go to new Education Center at the Children's Home.

October:

- 1st: Soup and Dessert Supper, sponsored by Laura Chapter No. 301, South Sioux City—put it on the calendar, more information next month!
- 18th: Friendship Night —7:30 pm. Laura Chapter No. 301, South Sioux City, 19th & A St.
- 30th: Get ready for some GAME SHOW FUN—6:00 pm, Masonic Temple, 1635 L St, Lincoln. Sponsored by the City Wide Past Matrons & Patrons Club. Call Beth (402) 486-3767 for information