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Thanks--

To all O.E.S. Sisters and Brothers throughout the state of Nebraska: Thank you for the love and support I have received during my illness. A big thank you to Eureka Chapter No. 86 for planning and hosting the benefit dinner held on August 7. O.E.S. love is very active in Nebraska. God Bless each and every one of you.

Patty Hecox

Note: Patty, a member of Eureka No. 86 of McCook and Dorcas No. 144 of Bartley, Past Grand Officer and Past District Grand Supervisor has been fighting a hard battle with Pancreatic Cancer

Grand Representatives Corner ~ ~

Time is fast approaching for the Grand Representatives Fall Luncheon on October 1, 2005 at the Ramada Inn in Kearney. Any Past/Present Grand Representatives, Grand Officers and their spouses and/or traveling companions may attend by making reservations to: Elaine Jenkins, Sec./Treas., 2353 N. 92nd Ave., #12, Omaha NE 68134. Cost of the tickets is \$15.00 each. The deadline for reservations is September 20, 2005. If you have not paid your dues you may send your \$5.00 check to Elaine. If you are NOT able to attend the Fall Luncheon, please enclose a self-addressed envelope for the return of your new dues card. If you are going to attend the luncheon, dues cards and tickets will be held at the door. Past Grand Representatives who have paid their dues within the past three years received the Fall Letter that was sent out the first of August. HOPE TO SEE YOU IN KEARNEY.

Bob Wells

President, NGRA



Thoughts from Darby

My thanks to the Chapters that have included projects for Canine Assistance in their programs for this year:

Starcraft No. 307, Lincoln had a "Dogs for Dogs" night—they served hot dogs and made \$234.15 for our Canine Assistance Project.

Humboldt No. 234 has invited local Chapters for a special presentation on Noah's at their stated meeting, September 1, 8:00 p.m. Call Frances at 402-855-3255 if you'd like to attend. Thanks to No. 234 for helping me get out information about Noah's.

Naomi No. 121, Fort Calhoun has donated their July and August Flower March funds to Canine Assistance.

Let me know about the projects your Chapter is planning, and I'll share the good ideas with other Chapters.

Plan to participate in Noah's "Dog 'N Jog", September 11. Registration is at 10:30 am at the City Park in Crete, 12th & Linden. Hope many of you are filling your pledge sheets and will be there.

Darby

The "Quarter Counter" continues to send in funds collected from Jan's film canisters. Keep several canisters in strategic locations—by the end of the year yours could be full too! As of August 17, \$897.20 has been collected from the film canisters—**\$1,000 by next month???? We can do it!**



**TEA TIME
WITH JAN >>>**



This is a reminder to reserve the dates of May 9th, 10th and 11th 2006 to attend Grand Chapter. This year we will be honoring all the 2005-2006 Secretaries and Adahs.

Our Grand Secretary and Grand Adah would love to honor all the Secretaries and Adahs with a tribute. It will be fun to have you all introduced at Grand Chapter.

Congratulations to the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children on a very successful 4 H Achievement day. It was fun to see so many of our Eastern Star members in attendance and once again to work with our Grand Lodge Officers. What a very special "Picture Special Moment" for Tregan, Worthy Grand Patron, and myself to participate in the corner stone ceremony for the new Learning Center. It will be a "special moment" that I will never forget.

Thanks to the Grand Master, Ivan and Grand Lodge Officers for that opportunity. Masonic unity is truly alive and well in Nebraska!

From the ESTARL Committee ----

Is there a minister in your church or community who was a recipient of an ESTARL grant? If so, the ESTARL Committee hopes that you will forward her/his name and address to the Grand Chapter office. The committee hopes to enlist these people in promoting our ESTARL program. Thanks to all of you who are making seminary students aware of Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership!

"Picture Yourself at these Special Moments"—

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. Call Roma: (402) 576-3461
- 3rd: Omaha area Secretary and Treasurer's breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Old Country Buffet, 14525 W. Center Rd, Omaha. Call Margaret at 402-592-8608 for information and reservations.
- 9-10: Nebraska South Dakota Exchange, Ainsworth Nebraska, Burke, South Dakota—call for details
- 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.
- 11th: Phillips 10th Annual Fried Chicken Dinner, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Memorial Hall, Phillips. Cost" \$7 adults, \$3 under age 12, \$20 family. A Masonic-Eastern Star joint project—proceeds go to fund scholarships.
- 16th: Area Visitation—5:30, Omaha Home for Boys, 4343 N. 52nd St, Omaha. Cost \$12. Call Anita at 402-291-1746 for reservations and information.
- 18th: Fullerton Chapter 191 100th Anniversary Celebration, 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. Masonic Hall, 304 3rd Street in Fullerton.
- 18th: Ceresco Chapter No. 198 100th Anniversary Celebration, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. (Program at 3:00 pm), Masonic Hall, 121 W. Elm St, Ceresco
- 19th: Benefit Golf Scramble—shotgun start 1:00 p.m. \$125 includes dinner and cart. To be held at the Fremont Country Club. Proceeds benefit the Masonic-Eastern Star Home, The Nebraska Masonic Home and the Nebraska Masonic Foundation.
- 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.
- 24th: Papillion Chapter No. 114, annual Salad Luncheon. Call Andrea at 402-592-4552 for details.
- 27th: Myrtle Chapter 94's Yum-Yum Dinner, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Masonic Temple 2610 N. 48th St. Call Linda at 402-489-5447 for tickets and information.

October:

- 1st: Grand Representative Association Annual meeting in Kearney—see front page for details
- 1st: Soup and Dessert Supper, sponsored by Laura Chapter No. 301, South Sioux City—5:00-7:00 p.m., St. Paul United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 20th & A St, South Sioux City. Cost: \$4.00. What a deal—beef vegetable and chicken noodle soups and a variety of desserts.
- 2nd: Adah Chapter No. 52, Pancake Breakfast, 8:00 am – 1:00 p.m., Papillion Masonic Center, 84th and Centennial, Papillion. Cost: \$6.00 for adults
- 2nd: Martha Washington Chapter Annual Roast Beef Dinner, 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 4430 N. 70th St. Cost: \$10.00—all tickets sold in advance. Call Nell at 402-489-4241 for tickets.
- 6th: Pioneer Division Nebraska Past Matrons Annual Meeting, Masonic Temple, 22nd & Central Ave., Kearney. Cost: \$10 for lunch and registration; Dues: \$2.00. Call Lila at 308-234-5671 for reservations and information.
- 8th: Reception for Verneal Dodge, Grand Martha and Carol Hudkins, Grand Esther—4-5 p.m., Masonic Center, 601 Grant Street, Beatrice
- 9th: Alpha Chapter Harvest Dinner and Quilt Display, 11 am to 2 pm, Bellevue Masonic Lodge, 1908 Franklin Street. Adults: \$8.50; Children (2-10) \$3.00. Children under 2 free. Enjoy a turkey dinner with all the trimmings.
- 9th: Reception for Jeanne Krenk, Grand Organist, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Martha Washington No. 153, 4430 N. 70th, Lincoln
- 15-16 Masonic Youth Leadership Conference, Holiday Inn Kearney. See your chapter secretary or call the Grand Chapter office for details.
- 18th: Friendship Night –7:30 pm. Laura Chapter No. 301, South Sioux City, 19th & A St. Entertainment at 7:00 p.m., meeting at 7:30.
- 23rd: Roast Beef Dinner, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., West Omaha Masonic Temple, 2424 S 135th Ave, Omaha. Cost: \$7.00 for adults; \$4.00 for children under 10. Call Lorna at 402-333-5829 for information.
- 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.