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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

O.E.S. Vision Conference

"Vision without action---
is only words.
Action without a Vision---
is only doing something.
Vision with Action---
can change the world."

The registration form for the 2006 Nebraska O.E.S. Vision Conference is being mailed with this issue of the NEWS.

Have a Vision: Dream great dreams for your Chapter and your community. Be ready to think outside the box and brainstorm with others.

Take Action: Send your reservation with the \$20 registration fee to the Grand Chapter office now. Make reservations for lodging at the Sandhills Convention Center if you will need to stay overnight. The deadline is Jan 20th.

Vision with Action can change the world. This one-day conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude before dinner on Feb. 18th at the Sandhills Convention Center in North Platte. If you send only one member of your Chapter, that member will come home inspired. What would happen if six members attended?? Try it.

PARAPHERNALIA~~~~~

As our Sisters and Brothers in the Gulf States put their lives back together, we learn that they may have need of paraphernalia. If you have extra paraphernalia that is in very good condition, please mail a list of the items to the Grand Chapter office. If any Sisters and Brothers are in a position that they could volunteer to deliver any needed paraphernalia to another jurisdiction, please send their name to the Grand Secretary.



Happy Holidays
from *Darby*-

Don't forget to keep working on the special project this year—Noah's Assistance Dogs. Thanks to Willanna Chapter No. 321, Scotts Bluff Chapter No. 133, Fullerton Chapter No. 191 and Nazarene Chapter No. 117 who have mailed in funds from Chapter projects.

Quarters in canisters this month increased the total for the Canister project to \$2,971.75. Remember to give those canisters to the Grand Officer who visits your Chapter or to your District Grand Supervisor.

Other things you can learn from dogs: When it's in your best interest, practice obedience.

No matter how often you're scolded, don't buy into the guilt thing—run right back and make friends!

Darby

Deadlines:

It isn't too early to be thinking about applications for ESTARL grants and Nebraska Eastern Star Educational Loans. The deadline for ESTARL applications is March 1, 2006. Please get an application to anyone in your community who is planning to study for full time religious service. Applications for NESEA Loans are due in the Grand Chapter Office June 15. These loans are available for Eastern Star members and their relatives. Call now for applications so that your loved ones do not miss these deadlines.

TEA TIME
WITH JAN



I will be enjoying a cup of tea with special members of my family this holiday season and remembering many "special moments" of past holidays. My wish for you is that you will also enjoy "special moments" with your families this holiday season.

A special thank you to the Chapters that agreed to host the Exchange Visits we had with Kansas and with South Dakota this year. Bethany Chapter No. 113 in Ainsworth and Vesper Chapter No. 9 in Beatrice both made us very proud and we thank each member of those Chapters for their efforts to make more "special moments" for us. We also want to thank Job's Daughters Bethel No. 31 of Beatrice who hosted breakfast at the Kansas-Nebraska Exchange.

~~~~ "Special Moments" for the NEW YEAR ~~~~

DECEMBER:

17th: SCATT—Star Coffee and Tea Time, sponsored by Papillion Chapter No. 114; 9:00 a.m. at 84th & Centennial Rd, Papillion. Program will be a Christmas Party.

JANUARY:

15th, 16th, 17th Grand Chapter School of Instruction, Wymore Nebraska.

21st: SCATT—Star Coffee and Tea Time, sponsored by Papillion Chapter No. 114; 9:00 a.m. at 84th & Centennial Rd, Papillion. Program will be "All about Tea".

INSTALLATIONS:

Temple Chapter No. 271, Lincoln: January 16, 7:30 p.m., 332 South Centennial Mall.

Fontenelle Chapter No. 249, Omaha: January 27th, 7:30 p.m., 2424 S. 135th Ave.

Blue River Chapter No. 132, Milford: January 21, 2:00 p.m., 115 "B" St.

Arbor Vitae Chapter No. 92, Fremont: January 14, 6:30 p.m., 350 East 23rd St.

Luna Chapter No. 169, Elkhorn: January 21st, 2:00 p.m., 300 Hopper St.

Papillion No. 114, Papillion: January 14, 7:00 p.m., 84th & Centennial

Narcissus No. 269, Omaha: January 19th, 7:30 p.m., 5903 Maple St.

Vesta Chapter No. 6, Omaha: January 21st, 2:00 p.m., 83rd & Maple St.

Adah Chapter No. 52, Omaha: January 22nd, 2:00 p.m., 84th & Centennial, Papillion

AkSarBen Chapter No. 277, Omaha: January 23rd, 7:30 p.m., 2823 N 83rd St

Alpha Chapter No. 325, Bellevue: January 28th, 7:30 p.m., 1908 Franklin

Trinity Chapter No. 299, Omaha: January 29th, 2:00 p.m., 2424 S. 135th Ave.

FEBRUARY:

2nd, 3rd, 4th: Grand Lodge, Holiday Inn Convention Center, Kearney Nebraska

18th: NEBRASKA O.E.S. VISION CONFERENCE. YOU HAVE SOME GOOD IDEAS TO SHARE. YOU WANT TO LEARN HOW TO HELP OUR ORDER PROSPER. BE THERE. RESERVATION FORMS AVAILABLE FROM YOUR CHAPTER SECRETARY OR CALL THE GRAND CHAPTER OFFICE AT 800-832-9320. DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS: JANUARY 20, 2006.

26th: Soup, Salad, Sandwich Luncheon sponsored by Trinity Chapter No. 299, 2424 S. 135th Ave. Call Edna at (402) 330-3790 for details.

SEND THE INFORMATION FOR YOUR FEBRUARY EVENTS TO THE GRAND CHAPTER OFFICE FOR THE JANUARY NEWS BY DECEMBER 15TH.