

NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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“Love Comes Down On Angel Wings”



Jottings from Jan

A Note Concerning Holiday Giving:
With the season of giving now at hand, please be very careful to designate what your gifts are for—The Grand Chapter office is now receiving gifts for School Supplies, Purple Ribbon Club, Thanksgiving Ingathering and Christmas giving for both homes as well as many other projects. Using the gray contribution form is the best way to send your donations, but **don't forget to indicate which project you are sending funds for.** Remember the deadline for Purple Ribbon Club is December 15th. (The Grand Chapter office makes every effort to notify the Home of all gifts received by that deadline.) In order for Thanksgiving gifts to reach the homes by the Thanksgiving holiday they must be received by October 31st, and for Christmas giving to reach the Homes in time for Christmas funds must be in the office by November 30th. Thank you for your cooperation

General Grand Chapter Projects

It is important for the membership to understand that **money raised for “General Grand Chapter Projects” stays in the state of Nebraska**. For example, Funds for Cancer and Heart go to the University of Nebraska Medical Center for their research. Proceeds from the sale of the General Grand Chapter pins stays in Nebraska. Funds raised for the Service Dog project will go to provide service dogs for people in Nebraska. Do continue to support these projects for the good of our whole state.



Denny Smith, Worthy Grand Patron

As we come to the final visitations this summer I want to express my gratitude to everyone that planned and worked to make them so enjoyable. It is so wonderful to get around the state and renew friendships and meet so many fine members. Thanks to all of you. The Also a big thanks to our officers for their faithful attendance and help and always being ready to help when the need arises.

This summer also found us attending our youth groups statewide meetings. Each in their own unique style conduct their business and also find time for fun. A personal special moment was receiving the Rainbow Grand Cross of Color. A number of years ago our daughter Christy earned this honor. The Supreme Rainbow Session in Omaha is a special memory as well. It was just great to see so many young people enjoying themselves while conducting themselves properly.

Another special memory is the five state plus get together in the Iowa Amana Colonies and the just concluded Kansas-Nebraska exchange. Again, it is really great to meet members outside the state. Some of those friendships that are formed last a lifetime.

Lastly a big thank you to our WGM Jerrie's grand companion, Candy. The duties of grand companion certainly took on new meaning for both Sister Jerrie and Sister Candy. While WGM Jerrie is making a quick recovery, I'm sure Candy will continue to provide wonderful care. Thanks Candy.

I continue to be grateful for the honor you have given me and look forward to seeing you soon.

Enjoy Fall,
Denny

Betty Kirby, G.G.C. Service Dog Committee

The Service Dog Committee of General Grand Chapter extends greetings to every Sister and Brother in Nebraska. I am hoping that, by now, you have a project planned for your Chapter's support of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron's special project for the 2009-2012 triennium. Remember, the funds you raise are to be used for whatever service dog organization you wish to designate or they can be given to the Grand Chapter Service Dog Fund. The only thing that I ask, as a member of the GGC Committee, is that you report to me the amount of funds which your Chapter was able to raise. Also, please try to get publicity for your chapter if you have a special project. If you wish, I do have some scarves that still need to be sold. Just let me know how many you wish to order. You will be hearing from me again in a few months with more exciting news about this wonderful project.

Ritual Assistant List

Updates are being made to the Ritual Assistant List. If you are interested in signing up to assist other Chapters please call the Grand Chapter office.

We need to know how far you are willing to travel and which offices you are willing to pro tem. Let us know if you are also willing to help other chapters as an Installing Officer.

WOW! Where did summer go?

The “Love Comes Down on Angel Wings” Grand Family has had a trip of a lifetime visiting all the areas in this beautiful state. We have traveled from one state line to the other and enjoyed the wonderful scenery and the love and hugs of our members.

Thank you to all the members who welcomed us with smiles, handshakes, and cordiality. We renewed old friendships and made new ones. What an organization we are privileged to serve!

We still have a lot of work to do and hope all members will support the activities of your chapters with renewed energy. The fall meeting of the Grand Representatives will be in Kearney on October 2nd, the All-committee Meeting will be in Hastings October 23rd, election of officers in the subordinate chapters will be in November with Installations in January, and Supervisor School will be in January in Fremont. Please join us at the ones you are able to and give your whole-hearted support to your chapter.

As fall approaches, remember an Angel is always watching over you.

I would like to thank all of our awesome members for your love and prayers when I broke my wrists. I am finally a “free” woman and can once again drive.

God Bless every one of you.

Jerrie

Worthy Grand Matron

THE OES ANGEL CALENDAR

(As space permits in the newsletter - I will try to list your Chapter Events)

We are encouraging you to send a calendar of your Chapter's events to Gwen Hurst-Anderson: pengwensrule@gmail.com. She will see that your events will be included on the web-site's Masonic Calendar. That calendar can be viewed by all members of our Masonic Family, so will provide more visibility for your Chapter's events than this newsletter. We hope you will take advantage of that calendar. It's easy, just email Gwen with the date, time, location, cost etc.!

October 2.....Grand Representatives Fall Meeting in Kearney-Contact Loraine Rogers 308-237-5971

October 9..... Crete Chapter #104 Style Show at UCC Church Ark, 12th & Ivy, Crete 11:00 a.m. Lunch & Style Show. Cost \$7.00,
Please contact Judy Bospalec 402-826-2458 or judy.bospalec@doane.edu

October 17..... Adah Chapter #52, Papillion Masonic Center 84th & Centennial Rd, Pancake Breakfast 8:00 am to 1:00 pm,
\$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children

October 21..... Luna Chapter #169, Elkhorn, Stated Meeting 7:30 p.m. – special memorial service for Kathy Attebery

October 23..... Committee Meeting in Hastings (All standing committees) RSVP to Grand Chapter Office 402-727-8644

November 7 Alpha Chapter #325 Chicken & Dressing Dinner 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., adults \$8.00 and children \$4.00 at Bellevue
Masonic Lodge

November 14..... Grand Cross of Color banquet & bread breaking ceremony at 11:30 followed by Grand Cross of Color Ceremony at
Scottish Rite 332 S. Centennial Mall in Lincoln, \$8.00 per person . RSVP by November 7 to Lorrie Bryant 402-423-
2385 or lbryant714@aol.com. Open to all Masters of the Grand Cross of Color.

Enclosed with this OES News—————



❖ Thanksgiving greetings from your Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron

❖ Yes, election month is just around the corner and Chapter Secretaries will find the blue “After Election Report” enclosed with this news. Please be sure to return it within three business days after your election.