

NEBRASKA OES NEWS

“Let There Be Light”

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*Jottings from
Jan*

All Secretaries must read the letter from the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Acting Most Worthy Grand Patron to every Chapter.

Final reminders concerning our upcoming Session:

- ✓ Don't forget your dues receipt, credential or proxy, Past Matron, Past Patron, Past Grand Matron or Past Grand Patron Card as applies.
- ✓ PAGOS and Past and Present Grand Representatives—please don't forget your cookies!
- ✓ Remember your hugs and smiles and be ready for a fun session
- ✓ Registration packets for all those who made reservations to the Past Grands Luncheon will be at the Distinguished Guest Room at the Holiday Inn on Tuesday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. At all other times pick up your packets at Pershing Center



“Forever Rely on God”



Grand Chapter Proceedings Book

Q: What is a Proceedings Book?

A: Each year the business of the Grand Chapter Session is recorded by the Grand Secretary and each year is published in book form.

Q: Where can I see this book?

A: Each Chapter is provided a copy of the Proceedings of each Grand Chapter Session. Your Chapter should have on file copies of the books for each year. The Chapter copy is mailed to the Chapter Secretary each year. Certain members receive complimentary books from the Grand Chapter. Books may also be purchased from the Grand Chapter office.

Again this year the Grand Chapter will be publishing the Proceedings in book form as usual and will also be distributing the Proceedings on a CD which you can read from your computer. The Grand Chapter program book will have an order form—please fill it in and indicate if you would like to receive the book or the CD. The CD will be considerably less expensive than the book and mailing the CD will also cost considerably less in postage expense.

There are a few 2011 proceedings books and CD's available to buy. If you are interested please contact the Grand Chapter office.

REMINDER: to bring your “basket” or items you can donate to Grand Chapter. If you need ideas, don't hesitate to contact Margaret McCall, Chairperson. We want to make this a very successful project for Breast Cancer Research and Heart Disease Research.

AHOY ALL DISTRICT GRAND SUPERVISORS PAST AND PRESENT



The S.S. O.E.S. is setting sail for the port of Kearney. Temple Chapter #271, Lincoln, NE, has had the privilege of hosting the Past District Grand Supervisors lunch for 12 years. Please join us for a “super” send off Wednesday, May 9, 2012.

Hug therapy.....

Safe, inexpensive, readily available, needs no instruction manual, proven effective, guaranteed to lift spirits and warm the heart.

A True Friend – Hugs you often

“It is better to light one little candle than to curse the darkness.”

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

The Scholarship Committee wishes to announce the winners of the Masonic Youth \$1,000 Scholarships for the 2012-2013 School Year:

Job's Daughters:

Jazmine Marie Jirsak, a member of Bethel No. 15, Fremont.

Rainbow for Girls:

Deirdre Rae Hoffman, a member of Fullerton Assembly No. 14, Fullerton

Order of DeMolay:

Adam D. Medley, a member of Dr. Fredrick Eiche Chapter, Lincoln

Your Chapter's scholarship recipients have no doubt been determined by now, so please remember to put an announcement in your local paper – include pictures of your recipients if you can. Those of you who have not done so – remember to send in your Notification of Award form and money to the Grand Chapter office so that the Grand Secretary can prepare your Scholarship Certificates.

Congratulations Mabel

Mabel Ragan, a native of Albion, NE became a member of the Order of the Eastern Star when she was initiated into Alma Chapter in David City, NE September 24, 1937. Subsequently she returned to her home town and her membership was transferred to Rose Chapter #102 Albion, NE. Rose Chapter consolidated with Harmony Chapter #13 in June 2008. Mabel was a dedicated member, an inspiration to the other members and regularly attended as long as her health permitted. She was an officer nearly every year beginning in 1949 through 1992. She was Worthy Matron of Rose Chapter #102 in 1956. This was an eventful year for Mabel

and for the Chapter as this was the year the Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star moved into their new Temple. Mabel had been active in all the activities of the Chapter to raise funds for the new Temple and the furnishings. A fact that all members of the Chapter has respected and admired is that Mabel committed the entire initiation, opening and closing ritual to memory. She could perform any station at a moment's notice and could recite the lecture from memory. **At the young age of 111 Mabel resides at the Wolf Memorial Good Samaritan Center in Albion.**



THE OES "LIGHT" CALENDAR

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

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE JUNE NEWS BY MAY 15

May 8-10....Grand Chapter at Pershing Center in Lincoln

May 26th2:00-4:00 Joint reception for all Grand Officers and Grand Lodge Officers, Christ Church in Rural Louisville, 84th St & Hwy 66

5/29-6/2Masonic All-Star Marching Band Camp in Lincoln

June 2.....Shrine Parade and Shrine Bowl Game

June 8-10 ...Rainbow Grand Assembly at Doane in Crete

June 28-30 .Jobs Daughters Grand Session, Sandhills Convention Center in North Platte

July 27-29...5-State Friendship Exchange in Branson, Missouri

Aug 12th4-H Achievement Day at Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children

11/1-11/9 ..General Grand Chapter in Forth Worth, Texas

Enclosed with this OES News:

- ❖ Letter from the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Acting Most Worthy Grand Patron
- ❖ ESTARL brochures