

# NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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*“Music of the Stars”*



## Jottings from Jan

Reminder that November is “election month”. Remember to send in the blue after election report after your election. If bad weather or some other circumstance prevents your Chapter from holding it’s election in November, the Secretary will need to request a “Dispensation to elect out of time” from the Grand Secretary (402-727-8644). There is no fee for this dispensation.

### Multiple Sclerosis (Special Project for 2014-2015)

10 Early Warning Symptoms of Multiple Sclerosis: 1. **Numbness** (i.e. legs, Arms, fingers) 2. **Exhaustion** (Unexplained muscle fatigue and muscle weakness) 3. **Vision Problems** (slowly degrades and sometimes accompanied by eye pain) 4. **Loss of Bowel & Bladder Control** 5. **Memory Loss** (memory loss, inability to focus, and speech or language issues) 6. **Muscle Spasms** 7. **Sexual Dysfunction** 8. **Dizziness** (Issues with balance and gait, suffer vertigo) 9. **Seizures** (Epileptic-type seizures are very common) 10. **Depression** (will often take its toll on a patient’s emotional health as well as their physical health, suffer from irritability, and mood swings)



### *OES Express*

As I’m traveling along picking up OES passengers I’m enjoying the beautiful fall scenery. I’ve seen farm equipment preparing for the harvest. I know it’s a busy time of year.

The OES Express is headed north to Pierre, South Dakota then to Columbia, Missouri. I will be in Kearney on October 18 for the Grand Representatives Meeting. I should have a full train by the time I arrive in Kearney. There’s always room for more if you want to come along.

October is always a busy month for traveling to other grand jurisdictions. I know I’ll be in need of maintenance when I return from Iowa Grand Chapter, October 24 – 26<sup>th</sup>. Be sure and let me know if you want to come aboard and head to Altoona, Iowa.

I know there are many Eastern Star activities to attend that aren’t on my train schedule so please let me know if the OES Express can pick up passengers to attend those activities.

The OES Express is picking up passengers for Pierre early in the morning so I better check my supplies and be ready.

All aboard!

**Introduction Cards:** If you will be planning to do introductions at Installation or any special meeting that you have, an updated set of Introduction Cards is available. Call the Grand Chapter office for a set. The cards are similar to those brought out by your District Grand Supervisor last year at her School of Instruction

### OUR THANKS

to our Eastern Star Sisters and Brothers for your support of our recent Masonic Youth Leadership Conference held in Kearney September 27-28, 2014.

Just over 300 attendees enjoyed a variety of engaging speakers, had opportunities to learn about our Masonic Family and took part in our Community Service Project by donating food to their local community food pantry and to the Mid Nebraska Food Bank in Kearney. A total of 5,382.4 pounds or 4 TONS of food was collected, which is almost twice what had been collected at the Conference three years ago. **CONGRATULATIONS** to the “Music of the Stars” Grand Family who collected the most of all groups with 1,219 pounds.

Our appreciation to everyone for your generous monetary donations, your support of the Assembly, Bethel and Chapter in your community and to the food pantry service project.

**This Conference shows what our Masonic Family can do by working together! THANKS to you ALL!!**

*The 2014 MYLC Committee*

*Friendship isn’t a big thing...  
It’s a million little things.  
Anonymous*





# THE "NOTE" WORTHY CALENDAR



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

**PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DECEMBER NEWS BY NOVEMBER 15**

- Nov 1 Narcissus #269, Annual Turkey Dinner, 4:00-7:00pm, \$8 adults, \$4 children, Turkey, dressing, vegetables, mashed potatoes, salad, dessert, bread, tea & coffee, 5903 Maple St, Omaha
- Nov 2 Daylight Savings Ends
- Nov 2 Trinity #299, Pancake breakfast 8:00 -1:00 pm, 2424 S 135<sup>th</sup> Ave, Omaha
- Nov 8 Crete #104, Civil War Era Quilt Showing and Luncheon fundraiser, 11:30-2, \$10.00, at UCC Church, 440 E 12th St in Crete. Tickets can be purchased at the door or from the officers.
- Nov 9 AkSarBen #277, German Dinner includes Wiener Schnitzel or Brat, German Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, roll, butter, beverages, dessert is german chocolate cake and angel food cake, 11:00–2:00 pm, \$12.00, 2823 N 83<sup>rd</sup> St, Omaha
- Nov 11 Happy Veterans Day 
- Nov 15 Alpha #325, Chili and Chicken Soup Dinner, 1910 Franklin, Bellevue
- Nov 27 Happy Thanksgiving 
- Dec 25 Merry Christmas

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR WITH IMPORTANT "2015" DATES

- Feb 5-7 Grand Lodge in Kearney at the Younes Conference Center
- Apr 23-25 Grand York Rite in Kearney at Holiday Inn
- May 12-14** GRAND CHAPTER IN KEARNEY AT THE YOUNES CONFERENCE CENTER
- June 2-6 Masonic All-Star Marching Band Camp in Kearney
- June 6 Shrine Bowl and Shrine Parade in Kearney
- Oct 29-Nov 6 48th General Grand Triennial Assemblies "Hope For Tomorrow" in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania

## Reminders

- 1) November is "Election Month. Best of luck to all Chapters on a successful election.
- 2) The year for our Subordinate Chapters is fast coming to a close! Annual Report forms will be mailed to Chapter Secretaries in mid-November—they are due back in the Grand Chapter office by January 15, 2015 and must include all membership information from Jan 1, thru Dec. 31, 2014.

### Enclosed with this OES News:

- ❖ Christmas Letter from Worthy Grand Matron & Worthy Grand Patron
- ❖ Invitation to The Queen of the South Degree

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We are here to help you in any way we can!**