

NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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“Beauty of the Star”



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. Remember the deadline for Purple Ribbon Club is December 1st so you need to have it in to the Grand Chapter Office by October 31st. (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.



Important Websites:

Nebraska Grand Chapter:
www.neoes.org
General Grand Chapter:
www.easternstar.org
Nebraska Grand Lodge:
www.glne.org
Job's Daughters:
www.jdne.org
Rainbow for Girls:
www.nebraskarainbow.com
DeMolay for Boys:
www.nedemolay.org
Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children:
www.meshc.org
NE Masonic Home:
www.thenebraskamasonichome.org



As The Cardinal Sings:

As the Cardinal Sings, We heard lovely sounds of blessings as we completed of last visitation and lived beyond the “Black Book Party”.

We are now in route to the “All Committee Meeting Oct. 3, 2015 in Hasting Nebraska

Wow what a Beautiful time to see all the Standing Committees coming together to brainstorm, plan and make our Star even more Beautiful than it is at the present time.

Our Youth Committee will be busy trying to promote ways to assist all three youth groups to grow in membership as well as wisdom. Work with Chapter to establish and sponsor a Masonic Youth Group. This Committee will assist in programs that provide services to the community at large such as Scholarship, Band Camp, Leadership Conference, CHIP Events in areas that do not have Eastern Chapter or Masonic Youth Group exist.

Our Scholarship Committee is working hard to promote scholarships to those applicants who meet the necessary requirements and getting the word out that scholarships are available.

Publicity Committee is to “facilitate publicity and communication among the subordinate Chapters in Nebraska, and to promote positive public relations between our Chapters and other Masonic Bodies and our communities”

Membership Committee “develop and implement programs to assist local Chapter with member retention and new member recruitment”

Estarl Committee is to “award financial grants to eligible recipients working in that mission”.

Benevolence Committee is to “investigate and approve all applications for relief of members of the Order of the Eastern Star and/or their families referred to them, and forward their recommendations to the Board of Grand Trustees for approval.”

Educational Loan Fund is to “approve all qualified loan applications of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Nebraska and their relatives or legal wards and make appropriate decisions regarding their dispositions.”

If you have a comment, plan or would like to work on one of these Standing Committees let our Grand Chapter Office know or give me a call or an email, we will be glad to have your help and support.

Until next time, Blessing to each of YOU!



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. If you need your name removed from that list please let us know that also.

A great leader's courage to fulfill his vision comes from passion, not position.
- John Maxwell

Grandmother/grandchild relationships are simple; Grandmas are short on criticism and long on love. Anonymous

THE "STAR" CALENDAR

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

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

- Oct 3 Papillion Chapter #114, Salad Luncheon, 11:00am – 1:00pm, \$8.00 adults and \$3.50 children, 84th & Centennial Road, Papillion
- Oct 4 Alpha Chapter #325, 2-4:00 pm, Fourth annual open house vendor sale including Longaberger baskets, Miche purses, Norwex cleaning, Pampered chef, PartyLite candles and more. The visiting Chapter with the highest attendance (minimum of 5 attendees) will receive Alpha's Star Point "Labor Support" (free) for one of their Chapter activities, 1910 Franklin, Bellevue
- Oct 10 Martha Washington #153, creamed chicken dinner. Cost is just \$6 per person and includes mashed potatoes, green beans, soda, coffee, tea and assorted desserts. 4430 N 70th, Lincoln
- Oct 17 Grand Representatives Fall Meeting at Masonic Temple in Kearney, 2314 Central Ave, registration 11:00am, buffet at 12:00. \$15 per person, rsvp to Karen Phillips 308-530-6236 or spookyps@charter.net
- Oct 17 Narcissus Chapter #269, Annual Turkey Dinner, 4:00 - 7:00 pm, 5903 Maple, Omaha
- Oct 17-18 International Order Rainbow Girls Mini-Grand, Carol Joy Holling Camp, Open to all members of Masonic family, rsvp with Sheli Rice by Sept 24 at sheli.rice@cox.net
- Oct 18 AkSarBen Chapter #277 German Dinner 11:00 – 2:00, 2823 N 83rd St, Omaha
- Oct 23 Columbia Chapter #275, Cotner Lodge, & Bethel #63, Soup Supper, 4:30-7:00pm, \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under, 1542 N. 65th St, Lincoln
- Oct 25 Alpha Chapter #325 Monster Mash Soup and Chili 4:00-7:00, \$8.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12, Bake sale and quilt raffle, 1908 Franklin St, Bellevue
- Oct 29-6 48th General Grand Triennial Assemblies "Hope For Tomorrow" in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania
- Oct 31 Happy Halloween
- Nov 7 AkSarBen Chapter #277, Paint and Sip Fund Raiser 2-5pm, reservations 314-799-5300
- Nov 8 Home Chapter #189, Chili & Chicken noodle soup supper 5-7pm, 513 Main St, Plattsmouth
- Nov 14 Martha Washington #153, creamed chicken dinner. Cost is just \$6 per person and includes mashed potatoes, green beans, soda, coffee, tea and assorted desserts

Enclosed with this OES News:

- ❖ Worthy Grand Matron & Worthy Grand Patron Thanksgiving letter
- ❖ Secretaries please find the blue "After Election Report" to be completed and returned to the Grand Chapter office within three business days after election

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