

# NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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“Trails of Faith”



## 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 (402-937-7056). There is no fee for this dispensation.

*At the close of Grand Chapter, Sister Lam Ethel will have served as Grand Treasurer for eight years. Lam has decided that she would like to have a little more free time and she wishes for 2016-2017 to be her last year as Grand Treasurer. Thank you my Sister and my friend for all those years of service and everything you have done for Grand Chapter!*

Secretaries: In this newsletter, you will find an information sheet to send to your members. A request was made to the Jurisprudence committee for a form that the Chapters could use to hopefully always be able to contact someone if necessary regarding a member. It is sad when a member moves or is ill and the chapter has no idea how to get in touch with them. Please try this form and hopefully it will assist you in caring for your members. Thanks, Bev Donham, member of Jurisprudence Committee

### Words from our Trail Boss

Hello Sisters and Brothers,  
Your Grand Family has been traveling the trails to our neighboring jurisdictions Grand Chapters for their Grand

Sessions. We have been to Colorado, South Dakota, Missouri and Iowa. Attending these Grand Chapters is always a pleasure and it is so fascinating to see the differences in the work, greeting their members to renew friendships and making many new friendships. I think we will all agree that they are each unique in some way but we cannot think of one thing we would change in Nebraska. It makes us all so proud to be able to say we are from Nebraska and ask those we meet to join us in Kearney, May 9 – 11, 2017.

We are not only asking our out of state neighbors to join us, but we are asking you as members of Nebraska Order of the Eastern Star to join us also. We will be having several vendors join us this year for your shopping pleasure. We will again have the Silent Auction Tables with Sister Margaret McCall as Chairman and Nellie Frizell, as Co-Chairman. We are anticipating that Helen Westmorland, MWGM will be in attendance and would really like to impress her with an outstanding attendance by our own members. We will be contacting many of you asking you to assist us in some way at Grand Chapter. We will be having a Choir again this year with Brother Jim Carlton, Conducting. Please join us in May for the “Trails of Faith” Grand Session.

Star Love & Happy Trails,  
Cheryl Beckius, WGM

Grand Chapter is currently seeking someone to serve as the Nurse for the upcoming Grand Chapter Session, May 9-11, 2017 at the Younes Conference Center in Kearney. The position is for the three days, but schedules can be adjusted to accommodate applicant's availability. For more information, call the Grand Chapter Office at 402-937-7056 or email Jan Thoman, GS at [nebraskaoes@msn.com](mailto:nebraskaoes@msn.com). The deadline for receiving applications is December 31, 2016.

### **Diabetes Education Center of the Midlands (Special Project for 2016-2017)**

The following services are available:  
**Living Well with Diabetes class** is a unique program offering four consecutive days of in-depth education. **Day to Day Living with Diabetes class** offers a basic foundation of knowledge about diet, glucose monitoring, exercise, and use of medication. **Individual Education** a Certified Diabetes Educator is available to address specific diabetes management needs. **Diabetes Prevention Class** focuses on learning the diet and exercise practices that can prevent or delay a diagnosis of this chronic and risky condition, **Continuous Glucose Monitoring**, and **Insulin Pump Training**.

Reminder that each month the OES news is on the OES website. If you would like a personal copy please call the Grand Chapter office.



## THE "TRAILS OF FAITH" 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 6 .Trinity Chapter #299, Biscuit & Casserole Breakfast, 9:00 – 1:00pm, 2424 S 135<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Nov 6 .Daylight Saving Time ends
- Nov 11 Veterans Day
- Nov 12 Martha Washington Chapter #153, Creamed Chicken dinner, \$6.00, 4:00-6:00, creamed chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, drinks, assorted desserts, 4430 N. 70<sup>th</sup>
- Nov 24 Happy Thanksgiving
- Dec 13 .Masonic Family Christmas Caroling, 7:00-8:00pm, Durham Museum, Omaha
- Dec 25 .Merry Christmas
- 2017
- Jan 1 Happy New Year
- Feb 2-4 Grand Lodge at Younes Conference Center in Kearney
- Apr 6-8 Grand York Rite at Younes Conference Center in Kearney
- May 9-11 Grand Chapter at Younes Conference Center in Kearney**
- Jun 9-11 Rainbow Grand Assembly at Doane College in Crete
- Jun 14-17 Job's Daughters Grand Bethel in York
- Sept 23-24 6<sup>th</sup> Triennial Masonic Youth Leadership Conference in Kearney

Coming soon from the Fraternal Relations Committee! Watch next month..."Traveling the Trails"

### Enclosed with this OES News:

- ❖ Christmas letter from the Worthy Grand Matron & Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers. Secretaries, please read this letter to your members. Remember your monetary gifts for the Homes must be sent to the Grand Chapter (checks made to the Grand Chapter) by November 28<sup>th</sup> to be sure the gifts get to the Homes in time for Christmas!
- ❖ Contact Information Sheet
- ❖ Google map of the Grand Chapter office

~~~~DON'T FORGET!—YOU CAN POST YOUR EVENTS ON THE NEBRASKA OES WEB-SITE CALENDAR~~~~

Visit us on the web at [neoes.org](http://neoes.org). See the Eastern Star Calendar by clicking on "Calendar"

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