

NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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"A Legacy of Service"



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.

Sisters and Brothers, thank you for all the prayers and cards during and following my surgery. Thank you for the lovely flowers ordered by the Trustees and given on behalf of all of you. Your kindness is very much appreciated.

Opportunity:

Attention Female Eastern Star Members: The Omaha Home for Boys is looking for Eastern Star members who may be interested in applying for a Directors position on their Board of Directors. If you are interested in knowing more about this opportunity, please contact Mr. Tom Cooper, Chairman, at 402-290-7879 or tccoop@cox.net.



On the Road Again...

Hello Sisters and Brothers,

The beautiful fall months are finally upon us. I know that many of you will mourn the passing of summer, but I for one love the striking tapestry of colors that God shares with us this time of year. I also enjoy the thoughts of warm fires and hot chocolate.

The month of October found members of the Grand Family attending the Grand Chapters of Missouri, South Dakota, and Iowa. It is always great fun to visit our Sisters and Brothers in these states and enjoy their Grand Sessions. It is a wonderful chance to renew old friendships and make new ones. We always come home with a new appreciation for what we have here in Nebraska.

Twenty-five Nebraska Sisters and Brothers boarded a plane on October 25th to Orlando Florida for the 49th Triennial Assembly of General Grand Chapter. The theme was "Precious Memories on the Wings of Love". Attending sessions and sight-seeing side trips kept everyone busy. The Nebraska group held their Big Red Dinner hosted by PGM Cheryl Beckius on Tuesday, October 30th and recognized those

who served as General Grand Chapter Committee Members for the 48th Triennial Assembly. They were Brother Alvin Benemerito, PGP; Sister Dee Schuetz, PGM; Brother Carl Plants, PGP; Sister Betty Kirby, PGM; Sister Wanda Fisher, PGM. We are very proud of these special Sisters and Brothers.

As we begin the holiday season, be helpful to someone, be safe in your travels, have fun with your family and friends, and make lots and lots of wonderful memories.

Until next time, Candy, WGM

Special Project for

2018-2019

Foodbank for the Heartland

"BackPack Program"

There is no cost for families to participate in the Backpack program. The program is funded by generous donors.

Each backpack costs \$4.00. Sponsoring a child for the entire school year is \$160.00.

Today, the program distributes 8,300 packs to children in need each week in over 240 schools across Nebraska and Western Iowa.



THE "A LEGACY OF SERVICE" 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 10th

- Nov 4 Daylight Savings Time ends
Nov 6 Election Day
Nov 11 Trinity #299, Pancake breakfast, \$6.00, children under 10 \$4.00, 9:00-1:00, 2424 S
135th Ave, Omaha
Nov 22 Happy Thanksgiving
Dec 2 Hanukkah begins
Dec 25 Merry Christmas

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- Jan 19-21 School of Instruction in Fremont
Jan 31-2 Grand Lodge at Younes Conference Center in Kearney
Mar 1 ESTARL deadline
Apr 1 Educational Loan deadline
Apr 1 Masonic Youth \$1000 scholarships deadline
Apr 4-6 Grand York Rite, New World Inn, Columbus
Apr 26-27 Nebraska/South Dakota exchange
May 1 Chapter scholarships deadline
May 14-16 Grand Chapter at Younes Conference Center in Kearney

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, 2019 and must include all membership information from Jan 1, thru Dec. 31, 2018.

Enclosed with this OES News:

- o 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 28th to be sure the gifts get to the Homes in time for Christmas!

~~~~ 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"**  
**Send your event, date, time, cost & location to Kerri Straub, Webmaster at**  
**[kstraub73@gmail.com](mailto:kstraub73@gmail.com)**

**Call the Grand Chapter Office at 402-937-7056 or 844-309-6855**