



NEBRASKA OES NEWS

"PICTURE SPECIAL MOMENTS" ~~~~VOLUME VI NUMBER 4 ~~~~ OCTOBER, 2005

Hurricane Relief Fund

On behalf of all of the Chapters in Nebraska \$2,000 has been sent to the General Grand Chapter in support of the Hurricane Recovery Effort. This donation has been recently approved by the Board of Grand Trustees. Any Chapters wishing to send additional funds may send them to the Grand Chapter Office (make checks payable to the Grand Chapter). Funds can be specified for the Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity or for any of the Grand Chapters affected by the Hurricane. Funds received will be forwarded to the General Grand Chapter immediately.

Congratulations to these Chapters on celebrating 100 years :

- Wayne Chapter No. 194**
- Stromsburg Chapter No. 193**
- Ceresco Chapter No. 198**

What "Special Moments" your celebrations were!

Triennial Souvenir Book

Each Triennium a committee puts together a book containing pictures of all those who have served the General Grand Chapter during the three years, a complete list of all the Chapters under the General Grand Chapter, and other interesting items about the activities in our General Grand Chapter. Any member may order one of these books. The cost for books ordered before January 15, 2006 is \$22.50. Please contact the Grand Chapter Officer by January 1, 2006 if you wish to reserve one of these books.



This Month with Darby-

Twenty OES members decked out in OES shirts hit the pavement for Noah's at their annual Dog 'n Jog on Sept. 11th. Many who could not participate also collected from sponsors. See the monetary results below. (My Master Jan will still accept funds from anyone who wanted to sponsor her but did not get a chance to mail funds.)

Here is the success story:

Dog 'n Jog:	\$1,709.25
Canister Project	\$1,899.08
Chapter Projects	344.62
Memorials, honorariums	620.00
<u>Total for Noah's (9-20-05)</u>	<u>\$4,572.95</u>

(This does not include any funds which may come from the Worthy Grand Matron's Projects later in her year.)

The exposure of Eastern Star to communities across Nebraska:

\$\$ Invaluable \$\$

Thanks to the Chapters who continue to support Noah's with a Chapter Project:

- Atkinson No. 186**
- Harmony No 13, Columbus**
- Fontenelle No. 249, Omaha**
- Acacia No. 39, Hastings**
- Sunset No. 300, Orchard**

These Chapters contributed coin march funds, donations or had special projects using Jan's canisters. **Home Chapter No. 189, Plattsmouth** will have Mike Renner of Noah's as a guest speaker following a sandwich and salad supper Oct. 4 at 6:00 pm.

Thanks for helping us spread the word about Noah's. It's great to hear about your projects!

It's been a Howling Good Year!

Darby

**TEA TIME
WITH JAN >>>**



Today your Worthy Grand Matron is sitting back with a cup of tea and reflecting on all the "Picture Special Moments"

we have had over the past month. The Grand Family has been able to attend 100-year celebrations, Area Visitations, friendship nights and of course Masonic Youth meetings.

The Nebraska/South Dakota exchange in Ainsworth and Burke, South Dakota was truly a special moment for all of the Grand Officers from both states. It is so much fun to see the differences in our initiations and especially wonderful to initiate new members into our beautiful Order. Thanks to Ainsworth and Burke for treating all the visitors like royalty.

The Dog n' Jog in Crete was so much fun. Congratulations to those Star members that were able to walk the 3.2 miles. We all took a vote and decided that Tregan, our Worthy Grand Patron needs to walk the route again because with his long legs he really only walked half the distance! Thanks to everyone that pledged walkers. It was fun to see all the dogs in attendance and to see the wonderful work that "Noah's" in Crete is doing.

What an honor for the Grand Family to be part of two Courtesy Initiations. It was a joy to help take in three new members into Narcissus Chapter in Omaha and three new members into Capitol Chapter in Lincoln.

Now it is time to look ahead to the Grand Representatives' Fall Meeting in Kearney, the last two Area Visitations, Grand Chapters in other jurisdictions and the Youth Conference in Kearney.

November 4th and 5th the Grand Officers will have an exchange in Beatrice and Marysville Kansas with the Kansas Grand Officers. Join us for the fun.

"Keep Making Special Moments"—

October:

- 1st: Grand Representative Association Annual meeting in Kearney. Registration 10:00 a.m.
- 1st: Soup and Dessert Supper, sponsored by Laura Chapter No. 301, South Sioux City—5-7 p.m., St. Paul United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 20th & A St, South Sioux City. Cost: \$4.00. What a deal—beef vegetable and chicken noodle soups and a variety of desserts.
- 2nd: Adah Chapter No. 52, Pancake Breakfast, 8 am – 1 p.m., Papillion Masonic Center, 84th and Centennial, Papillion. Cost: \$6.00 for adults
- 2nd: Martha Washington Chapter Annual Roast Beef Dinner, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 4430 N. 70th St. Cost: \$10.00—all tickets sold in advance. Call Nell at 402-489-4241 for tickets.
- 4th: Mike Renner of Noah's Assistance Dogs will speak following a sandwich and salad supper at 6:00 pm previous to the stated meeting of Home Chapter No. 189 of Plattsmouth. Call Mary Ann at (402) 331-4461 for information and reservations.
- 6th: Pioneer Division Nebraska Past Matrons Annual Meeting, Masonic Temple, 22nd & Central Ave., Kearney. Cost: \$10 for lunch and registration; Dues: \$2.00. Call Lila at 308-234-5671 for reservations and information.
- 8th: Reception for Verneal Dodge, Grand Martha and Carol Hudkins, Grand Esther—4-5 p.m., Masonic Center, 601 Grant Street, Beatrice
- 9th: Alpha Chapter Harvest Dinner and Quilt Display, 11 am to 2 pm, Bellevue Masonic Lodge, 1908 Franklin Street. Adults: \$8.50; Children (2-10) \$3.00. Children under 2 free. Enjoy a turkey dinner with all the trimmings.
- 9th: Reception for Jeanne Krenk, Grand Organist, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Martha Washington No. 153, 4430 N. 70th, Lincoln
- 13-14 South Dakota Grand Chapter, Ramkota RiverCentre, Pierre South Dakota.
- 15-16 Masonic Youth Leadership Conference, Holiday Inn Kearney. See your Chapter Secretary or call the Grand Chapter office for details. Open to all youth—encourage your church youth to attend.
- 18th: Friendship Night –Laura Chapter No. 301, South Sioux City, 19th & A St. Entertainment at 7:00 p.m., meeting at 7:30. The Three "Fs"—Fun, Food, Fellowship!
- 20th: Papillion Chapter sponsors SCATT (Star Coffee and Tea Time) at 9:00 a.m. at the Papillion Masonic Center. Call Jerri at 402-331-4686 for more information.
- 22nd: Rose Chapter No. 102, Albion will be assisting the Albion Masonic Lodge with a CHIP event at the Boone Central Elementary School in Albion. Time: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- 23rd: Fontenelle Chapter No. 249 Roast Beef Dinner, 11a.m. to 2p.m., West Omaha Masonic Temple, 2424 S 135th Ave, Omaha. Cost: \$7.00 for adults; \$4.00 for children under 10. Call Lorna at 402-333-5829 for information.
- 27-30 Iowa Grand Chapter, Downtown Des Moines Marriott, De Moines, Iowa
- 30th: Get ready for some GAME SHOW FUN—6:00 pm, Masonic Temple, 1635 L St, Lincoln. Sponsored by the City Wide Past Matrons & Patrons Club. Call Beth (402) 486-3767 for information.

November:

Election Month: Best wishes as you begin your plans for a new Eastern Star Year

4th-5th: Kansas/Nebraska Exchange, Beatrice Nebraska, Marysville Kansas. Call the Grand Chapter Office for information.

6th—Trinity Chapter-Covert Lodge Pancake Breakfast, 8:30 am to 1 pm, 2424 S. 135th Ave, Omaha. Adults: \$6; under 12: \$3 Call Maril at (402) 697-0062 for tickets.

Send your events for November and December (to be included in the November News) by Oct 15th