

NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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“Rainbows of Kindness”



Jottings from
Jan

Enclosed with
this OES News

please find all of the
scholarship information
and forms. Please
provide the scholarship
recipients address and
telephone number on
the form that is
returned to the Grand
Chapter office.

**In Memoriam and with
the deepest sorrow we
announce the passing of
Sister Helen Roquemore
Cox, PMWGM. Sister
Helen was Worthy Grand
Matron of Georgia in
1968-1969. Most Worthy
Grand Matron in 1986-
1989. She entered into
rest on December 13,
2022.**

Happy Valentine's Day to each of you. This Valentine's Day would have been my Grandmother's 119th Birthday. She went to Heaven four days before her 97th Birthday. When I was a kid, I couldn't figure out

why Hallmark didn't sell a "Happy Birthday, Grandma, on Valentine's Day" card. I guess it was a little bit too specific.

The actual history of Valentine's Day is cloudy as there were several early Christian martyrs named Valentine. They died between 260 and 270 AD and one of them was buried on February 14. How that evolved into candy, flowers and romance is confusing as well but Cadbury Candy Company began selling chocolates with fillings in the 1700's. Why am I reviewing Valentine's Day? WGP Brother Wayne and I have been sharing the benefits of kindness for the past several months and Valentine's Day is a great day to express Kindness. Sharing goodies with our Sisters and Brothers, family and friends and neighbors on Valentine's Day can be a sweet surprise and will make you feel Great too.

During our Visitations, we have been asking you as individuals and as Chapters to consider adding Acts of Kindness to your activities.

We know that has happened. We have heard of the wonderful things that have been done, the projects that have been planned or started.

Now Brother Wayne and I would like each Chapter - and individual Member - to send us descriptions of your Acts of Kindness. Remember, kindness can be expressed in small, medium and large ways. We are interested in all. We plan to mention these during Grand Chapter, with the goal of spreading the ideas even farther. Kindness should not be a "one-year project"; it can and should be life-changing to the giver and receiver.

Speaking of our Grand Chapter, I think this is a good time to share with you that our Most Worthy Grand Matron Glenda Winchester and Most Worthy Grand Patron F. Lon Lowry will be attending our Grand Chapter in Kearney, May 9-11. It's certainly not too early to start your plans to attend. We are very excited about it and are looking forward to showing them a warm Grand Chapter of Nebraska welcome.

Again – Happy Valentine's Day to each of you!


Laurie & Wayne

REMINDER! The deadline for resolutions for consideration at Grand Chapter in 2023 is February 8, 2023. Resolutions must be received, not postmarked, but *RECEIVED BY THE GRAND SECRETARY BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS THAT DAY!*

Betty Garwood PGM,
Chairman
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Remember your baskets and items for the Silent Auction at Grand Chapter to support the special project of the WGM and WGP, "OES Star Dogs of Nebraska". The Grand

Secretary invites all the secretaries to come and bid on her secretarial basket. It's great fun each year to see all the unique baskets. 

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Recently, the service and therapy dog committee met and is so excited about our plans for the upcoming year. Some of our activities include, the ongoing quilt raffle, a pet photo contest, and guess the number of dog biscuits at Grand Chapter, and of course, our sales table.

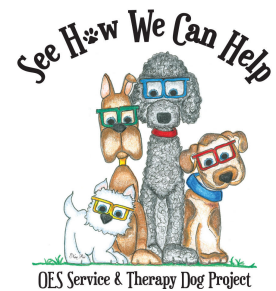
In order to keep in better communication, we are asking each chapter to submit the name of a dog contact person. This sister or brother will receive updated

information they can then share with their chapters.

Please submit your chapter's appointment by March 15, 2023, to Oesservicetherapydogs@gmail.com, or Nan Rix at nettierix4145@gmail.com, 1860 Phelps, Fremont, NE 68025.

Thank you so much for your participation.

Service and Therapy Dog Committee



THE "KINDNESS" CALENDAR

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE MARCH NEWS BY FEBRUARY 10TH

Feb 2-4 Grand Lodge Annual Communication in Kearney

Apr 13-15 Grand York Rite at Younes in Kearney

May 9-11 Grand Chapter at Younes in Kearney

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 The information and forms for the 2023-2024 Scholarship Program

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