

# NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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## *“Enduring Hope”*



### Jottings from Jan

#### Attention all Standing Committees:

November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 you will have a committee meeting at the Masonic Center in Hastings (411 N Hastings). This is a wonderful opportunity to contribute and be an active member of your respective committees. Please call the Grand Chapter office to RSVP.

#### From Jurisprudence Committee:

The resolutions passed at the 2019 Grand Chapter session have now been codified and have been uploaded to the on line Red Book. A page with the changes is enclosed.

Welcome to September! It's been a great summer and now we feel the nearness of fall in the air. During August the Enduring Hope Grand Family almost 20 chapters via area Constellations, We anticipate we greeted and shared awareness of Eastern Star with more than 10,000 Nebraskans! Constellation #6 on August 2 in Blair with Herman and Luna Chapters gave us the opportunity to meet residents of Crowell Home, recognize an Imhoff recipient and other 50 year members, introduce our Star Dogs, and share a meal and fellowship with the chapters. August 3 was "Star Dogs with the Salt Dogs" Constellation #7 with the Lincoln chapters. The day began with a tailgate meal and visitation, then the stated meeting of Electa #8 and on to Haymarket Park for the Salt Dogs vs T-Bones baseball game. On the concourse prior to the game our Star

Dogs including our standing committee and General Grand Chapter committee, Domesti-pups and Javelan were featured with displays and vending. We were thrilled with the presence and participation of our Kansas Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Secretary and their companions. In this one day, funds were raised to place at least one more therapy dog. PAWS UP! Thirteen members of Nebraska Eastern Star including Grand Representative to Wyoming Odie Ray journeyed to Cheyenne for Wyoming Grand Chapter. We were thrilled to share time with Wendy Lewandowski Wyoming's Associate Grand Conductress and a plural member in Sunflower Chapter, Mitchell, Nebraska. Next stop on the travels was Hastings and Constellation #9 area visitation for Acacia, Franklin, Davenport, Hebron and Guide Rock chapters and KoolAid Days. What an amazing outreach and service experience, including participation with their CHIP event. It was our honor to announce the placement of another therapy dog. This dog will partner with the clinician of the RiteCare clinic of Hastings. The day was completed with a reception honoring our Worthy Grand Patron. August 19th brought a picnic in Wayne with their chapter and Masons, it was a great evening in the park. Kansas - Nebraska Reunion and Exchange brought great fellowship and beautiful ritual work. Welcome to our new members. Thank you for all the preparation and hard work by Acacia Chapter in Hastings and especially Worthy Matron Marcia Donley for orchestrating such a grand event. The last days of August brought us to McCook for Constellation #10 with Benkelman, McCook, Imperial, and Bartley. Friday evening brought us together for food, fellowship and communications. Saturday morning was an opportunity for breakfast in our pajamas and a walking tour in McCook. What a sight we were! It

was our honor to support their project in McCook to fight against hunger. On to North Platte for Constellation #11 and an ice cream social in Cody Park, A great way to thank and honor first responders and share awareness in their community of our therapy and service dogs. We look forward to the Iowa Nebraska exchange September 6-8 in Council Bluffs. The Grand Representatives fall event in Kearney is scheduled for September 14, then we are on to the Caring Club of the Plattsmouth Masonic Home on the 15th, and then west for Colorado Grand Chapter. Constellation #12 for O'Neill, Plainview, Laurel and Wausa is set for September 20, and on Saturday morning the 21st we will assist with a food bank delivery in Plainview. Saturday September 21 will be Constellation #13 for Norfolk, Wayne, Laura and Stanton in participation with events in Norfolk. Also the Enduring Hope Grand Family will take part and share awareness and visibility on Saturday, September 21 in Nebraska City as the Star Dogs' float is part of the Apple Jack Festival Parade, Nebraska's largest parade! September will again be a month where we are able to reach out to more than 10,000 new eyes and ears and share the mission and impact of our Order. We ask for the prayers of our members to cover us as we travel, reach out, serve and encourage our chapters all across Nebraska! Thank you all for your energy, participation and support. Together .... we are making a difference! Star Love and with great expectations, Karan and Bruce



**Paws Up!**  
**Special Project**  
**for 2019-2020**



**THANKS** to all who have been contributing school supplies for the children at the Masonic-Eastern Star Home. You may send monetary donations to the Grand Chapter office and we will forward the money.

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”  
1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)

Watchwords:  
Faith, Hope, Love



## THE “ENDURING HOPE” CALENDAR

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

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE OCTOBER NEWS BY SEPTEMBER 10

Sep 9 Masonic Charities Golf Tournament, North Bend Golf Course 11:00 am-shotgun start, 10:00-regisration, dinner to follow after golf, \$125 per person, including cart & dinner, questions call Michelle at Grand Lodge

Sep 15 Nebraska Masonic Home Caring Club Dinner 2:00 pm

Oct 6 Trinity #299, OES Steak Fry, 4:00-7:00 pm

Nov 17 AkSarBen #277, German dinner, 4:30-7:30 pm

### 2020

Mar 7-14 2020-OES Service Dogs Cruise, Norwegian Cruise Line, Embark Port Canaveral in Orlando, ports of call at Great Stirrup Cay (Bahamas), Ocho Rios (Jamaica), George Town (Grand Cayman), Cozumel (Mexico) Call for more details. A portion of the proceeds will benefit GGC Service Dogs Fund.

Jul 27-Aug Job’s Daughters International Supreme Session and 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Omaha



Sept 10 Travel with the NE Order of the Eastern Star on Grand Alaskan Cruise & Tour. It departs Sept.10 and includes 7- night cruise aboard the ms Westerdam. Join the fun and see Anchorage, Talkeetna, Denali National Park, Glacier Bay National Park, Haines, Juneau and Vancouver.

Sept 26-27 Masonic Youth Leadership Conference, Holiday Inn in Kearney

## Grand Chapters of other Grand Jurisdictions

Please contact the Grand Chapter office if you are interested in attending Grand Chapter in other states.

Oct 10-12.....South Dakota Grand Chapter in Pierre at Ramkota River Centre

Oct 13-16.....Missouri Grand Chapter in Jefferson City at Capitol Plaza Hotel & Convention Center

Oct 24-27.....Iowa Grand Chapter in West Des Moines at the Sheraton

### **Enclosed with this OES News:**

- Letter from Jurisprudence Committee
- Silicone Card Case order form
- All Committee Meeting invitation and information

~~~~ YOU CAN POST YOUR EVENTS ON THE NEBRASKA OES WEB-SITE CALENDAR~~~~

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