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“To God Be The Glory”



Jottings from Jan

Secretaries please send in any change of contact information for your membership so the Grand Chapter can keep their information as current as possible.

Reminder of the Office Hours at the Grand Lodge Building: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Closed from 12:00 to 1:00.

In Memoriam:

Loyal Stark, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron passed away on May 25, 2023. Brother Loyal served as Most Worthy Grand Patron 2003-2006. His motto was to do everything with Dignity-Quality-Substance-Style and a Touch of Class. He was inspired by the symbolism of the candle. He often admonished friends and co-workers by saying, “May the candle in all our hearts and lives burn brighter each day, because the world really needs our beautiful Order.” Brother Loyal will be missed by all those privileged to know him.

Our Flutterbies have already begun their journey across the state, starting with WGM Linda's Reception hosted by Sunshine Chapter #261 at the UCC church in Thedford on May 20th.

They then flew to the Shrine Bowl Parade in Kearney, June 3rd. The WGM and WGP were able to rest their wings and listen to some beautiful music as they rode in a purple Mustang convertible driven by the Grand Conductress, Sister Gloria Guern, and followed the Shriners' calliope down the parade route. After the parade, the Flutterbies and Caterpillars and a few Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons and friends gathered at Valentinos for a feast before they hit the road to be in Plattsmouth the next day for the WGP Cecil's Reception.

After the reception hosted by Home Chapter #189, the Flutterbies, Caterpillars, and a few others gathered at La Fiesta Mexican Restaurant where they were joined by Brother Cecil's family before flying home to rest.

They made a flight to the Riverfront Marriott at South Sioux City June 9-11th, for the Rainbow Grand Assembly/OES 5-State event where 69 Eastern Star Members were gathered from

Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, South Dakota, and Nebraska to see the Rainbow Girls perform their work and to enjoy a delicious snack of s'mores after the Rainbow Fun Night and to hear some Cowboy poetry by Marci Broyhill and feast on some Chicken Florence at the 5-State banquet. On Saturday, they gathered to see Sister Katheryn Rice installed as Grand Worthy Advisor.

Then they took flight back to Kearney to the Holiday Inn Convention Center June 14th-17th for the Job's Daughters Grand Bethel. They were proud to watch Caterpillar Katheryn Rice receive the Lily of the Valley Award! She surely has a bright and colorful future ahead of her!

Next, they took a long flight out to Scottsbluff/Gering for the Area 1 Visitation, held at the Legacy of the Plains Museum, on June 24th, where they had fellowship with the officers and members of Dome Rock, Oshkosh, Truth, Sunflower, and Royal Chapters. We were delighted when one of the workers at the museum peeked around the corner, introduced herself as a former Job's Daughter, and signed an offered petition! She said she was glad to see so many Star members gathered at the museum.

July 1st found the Grand Family in Norfolk at the Masonic Hall there, with members of Beulah, Laura, Wayne, Mt. Vernon, Friendship, and Herman Chapters hosting. We had a beautiful day, but had to make our way through some much needed rain showers to get there. We were delighted by

the large crowd and many of our Rainbow Girls in attendance!

After a restful week spent with our families celebrating our nation's independence, we flew off to Bellevue to visit Alpha, Vesper, Humboldt, Brownville, Queen Esther, and Palmyra Chapters.

It has been a busy few months, but the Flutterbies and Caterpillars are grateful for all the wonderful fun, food, and fellowship in which they have participated so far. To God Be the Glory for an action-packed calendar of events!

WGM Linda and WGP Cecil

Employment Opportunity

The position of office assistant became available with the retirement of Sister Sue Hedges. Please notify the Grand Chapter office if you are interested.



THE "GLORY" CALENDAR



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

- Aug 8 .4H Achievement Day at the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, Light tailgate meal served 4:30 until 5:15 in Picnic Pavilion, Program will start at 6:00pm in 4-H Barn.
- Aug 12-13 International Peace Garden Pilgrimage
- Aug 25-26 KS/NE Reunion in Hays, KS.
- Sep 4 .Labor Day
- Sep 10 .Martha Washington #153, quarterly dinner 11:00 – 1:30, Meatloaf, Potatoes & gravy, veggie, salad, assorted fruit crisps, \$12.00. RSVP to Sue Hedges, 402-672-8603
- Oct 8 Trinity Chapter #299, Steak Fry, 4:00, 2424 S 135th Ave, Omaha
- Oct 9 Columbus Day
- Nov 11 .Veterans Day

Enclosed with this OES News:

- 🐾Tribute to Louie "Star Dog"
- 🐾Report of Jurisprudence concerning Grand Chapter Resolutions

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