

# NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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*“Enduring Hope”*



## Jottings from Jan

Reminder to the Secretary's to please send in address, email and phone number changes along with death dates into the Grand Chapter office as soon as possible. You can complete the form or email or call us with the information! Thank you for keeping your chapters information accurate along with Grand Chapter.

Please change Grand Adah, Shannon Roberts address to 524 N Allen Ave, North Platte NE 69101 and she is also Secretary of Signet Chapter #55.

### OPORTUNITIES TO HELP:

*To offset Covid-19 expenses **the Nebraska Masonic Home** has teamed up with Hy-Vee.*

*The Nebraska Masonic Home Foundation will receive a \$1 donation from each purchase of the \$2.50 reusable red "My Heart" Bag at your local Hy-Vee store. What better way can you support The Home without even trying. Just follow the directions on the card attached to your bag. **If you are not a Plattsmouth resident you still can choose the Masonic Home.** Simply click on the Search Non-Profits and type in Nebraska Masonic Home and it will pull up The Nebraska Masonic Home Foundation and then click on it.*

***The Masonic-Eastern Star Home For Children** could use school supplies. Cash donations are welcomed or of course you can send the actual supplies. Everything helps!*

Greetings to each and all of our Sisters and Brothers. Prayers flow for your health, safety, joy and hope! The heat of summer partners well with ICE CREAM:) Hope you are finding creative ways to Dilly Dally and share a cool treat. Thank you to each chapter that is sharing photos and videos of their socials. It is awesome to see you, even though we are apart physically. Nebraska is a big state, its great to be able to travel to you via our virtual sharing. THANK YOU! KEEP IT UP! Eager to see more and post your chapter's social to our Dilly Dally playlist on our YOUTUBE CHANNEL. Reach into your freezer, grab another ice cream treat and check out the videos.

As we all learn to adapt and live in a changing and challenging world, please be reminded of the great strength within yourself that you must recognize, celebrate and nurture. Take care of yourself. Listen to your body, heart and mind. When we were flying more regularly we were always reminded by the crew members to put the oxygen mask on ourselves first and then others. You can serve others more effectively and broadly when you are filled with oxygen. That is very true as we negotiate these days and challenges. The stronger you are, the greater your outreach and impact for others.

The needs around us are significant. Our Order equips us with the relationships that can fuel our ability to reach out in love and service. We can be the difference makers for those

around us in our communities, state, nation and world. My prayers continue to include you and our Order and our ability to see, hear, and respond. May we be aware of where we can serve and respond guided by empathy, love and compassion.

A song from the late 1970's ran through my memory this week. I sought it out and listened to it again and again and read its lyrics. It was recorded by the Little River Band, its title is "Hang on - Help is on its way". Its application for today and our Order struck me. Stay strong. Hang on. We can receive and offer support and service. **"Why are you in so such hurry? Is it really worth the worry? "Hang on", a tiny voice did say, from somewhere deep inside the inner man. Help is on its way."**

Please take care of yourself and then reach out to those around you that need your faith, hope, love and compassion. Stay well. Stay strong. Look forward to seeing you. Star love and with great expectations, Karan and Bruce

### **Masonic Youth Leaders for 2020-2021:**

**RAINBOW:** *Hayly Ann Daudt, Grand Worthy Advisor.*

**JOB'S:** *Rachel Jendro, Grand Bethel Honored Queen. Rachel Radloff, Miss Nebraska Job's Daughter. Angela Kramer, Miss Nebraska Congeniality.*

**DEMOLAY:** *Caid Blease, State Master Councilor.*

*Remember Sisters & Brothers to support our Masonic Youth not only financially but with your presence at their activities.*

The Masonic Youth Leadership Conference scheduled for September 26-27, 2020 has been rescheduled for October 16-17, 2021 at the Holiday Inn in Kearney.

**THE NEBRASKA FREEMASONS  
CHILD IDENTIFICATION  
PROGRAM NEEDS  
YOU!!!!**



This year's **CHIP event** at the **Nebraska State Fair** in Grand Island will be held **Opening Weekend – Saturday, August 29 & Sunday, August 30, 2020** between the hours of 9:00 am and 7:00 pm on Saturday and 11:00 am and 7:00 pm on Sunday. **The State Fair board is giving us prime space in the 4-H Building near the Kids Zone.** Your help is needed!

We are hopeful that we will be able to move forward with the event and are

making plans as if the event is going to take place. The CHIP Board has put together a plan for the protection of our volunteers and the families that attend the event. Eastern Star members are busy sewing and will be donating cloth masks for all volunteers, Craftsmen Lodge No. 314 in Lincoln is 3D printing and donating face shields for our dental personnel, we are reducing the number of computer stations in the room from six to three to allow for social distancing, we will be limiting the number of volunteers accepted per shift and the number of people that will be allowed in the room at one time, and we are looking at the possibility of scheduling times for families to go through the event to control the flow of participants.

We need **28 volunteers** per day to fill the shifts each day. We will be limiting it to that maximum number of volunteers per day, so register early to get your preferred day and time.

You can sign up online to volunteer at <http://bit.ly/2020statefairCHIP> or contact Michelle at the Grand Lodge Office ([michelle@glne.org](mailto:michelle@glne.org) or

402-475-4640). Shifts are from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm and 1:30 pm to 7:00 pm on Saturday; and 11:00 am to 3:30 pm and 2:30 pm to 7:00 pm on Sunday. **Admission, parking passes and a meal are provided to all volunteers.**

Please alert each and every member of your Lodges, Chapters, Shrine Clubs, Scottish Rite and York Rite Bodies, Youth groups, family and friends.

Please help us make this a huge success. This is an extraordinary way to show the public that Masonry is relevant and involved. The exposure this event gives Masonry and the CHIP program is HUGE. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Michelle. Thanks for your help!

*In all that you do, honor those who came before you, respect those who serve with you, and inspire those who come after you.*



## THE "ENDURING HOPE" CALENDAR

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

- Aug 9 .Rainbow One-Day Grand Assembly 9:00am, Lincoln Scottish Rite Center
- Sept 13 .Nebraska Masonic Home, Caring Club Dinner
- 2021**
- Feb 4-6 .Grand Lodge at Younes Conference Center in Kearney
- May 11-13 Grand Chapter at Younes Conference Center in Kearney
- Aug 12 .Grand Alaskan Cruise & Tour on Holland America Line, details on our website or contact David Wetrosky at [dwetrosky@neb.rr.com](mailto:dwetrosky@neb.rr.com)
- Oct 16-17 Masonic Youth Leadership Conference at Holiday Inn, Kearney
- Oct 29-Nov 5 50<sup>th</sup> Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter in Salt Lake City, Utah

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

- Letter from our Most Worthy Grand Matron
- Correspondence from our WGM & WGP

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