

NEBRASKA OES NEWS

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“Enduring Hope”



Jottings from

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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.

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE:

REMINDER: Resolutions to amend the Constitution and Bylaws of the Grand Chapter are due in the Grand Chapter office 90 days before the Session. (sec. 174) **Deadline for submitting resolutions: February 10, 2021**

March 1, 2021: Final date for submission of Resolutions to the Office of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary. (8 months prior to the Opening of the 50th Assembly of the General Grand Chapter)

Dear Sisters and Brothers of Nebraska OES,

Happy New Year! Eager to see what blessings we are presented in 2021 and how we accept them, multiply them, and then share them! I am never in a hurry to take down the last Christmas Tree of our decorations. The year our daughter Jen taught at the Southeastern European University in Tetovo, Republic

of Macedonia it was easy to have an excuse to leave up a tree. I wanted it to greet her when she arrived home that summer. This year there is one still standing but for a different reason. 2020 and the lack of in person social gatherings presented us with an opportunity to do something new and different. Tim seized the day and spent hours, days, weeks and months creating original pieces of stained and leaded glass. We decided it would be fun to have a Christmas tree decorated only in stained glass ornaments. It is so beautiful and reminds me of finding opportunities within the obstacles. It did not come down on the 12th night of Christmas so to insure a good harvest for our farmers I will leave it up until Candlemas on February 2nd.

As we move deeper into winter, we pray that your health and well being are sound and secure. We are hopeful that our public health crisis will loosen its challenging grasp on our lives. We pray the risks and suffering will diminish. Thank you for your faithfulness to each other. Thank you for caring enough to listen to each other. Thank you for serving our Order and your chapters as best you can and always remembering that while our work and service are important, our members are more important.

February brings our School of Instruction for every Nebraska subordinate chapter. Each chapter needs to have at least one representative participate who will then share with their other members. **All members are welcome to participate.** The chapter instructions will be shared in a virtual event on Saturday, February 20 from 2pm - 4pm. The following Saturday, February 27 will be specific instructions regarding the work of our secretaries. It will be beneficial for secretaries, treasurers and audit committee members. Your District Grand Supervisor will contact you and assist in planning your virtual connections.

We are drawing closer to our 2021 Grand Chapter Session and are hopeful details can be completed to insure we are able to gather and transact our business. Hopefully we can even have a celebration.

Thank you again for your dedication, faithfulness and loving kindness for each other. May blessings flow among us and from us. Even though your Christmas lights, decorations and sparkle are all neatly put away, please continue to spread encouragement like glitter. That stuff sticks! Years later you will still find it all over the place! Star love and gratitude, Karan and Bruce

Jim Dusch, PGP is sending a big thank you to all who sent cards and prayers for his (3) knee replacements, left knee first, right the next week and then the next week re-do the third because of infection and much more therapy.

26th Annual Masonic
All-Star Marching Band Camp
June 1-June 5, 2021
At University of NE at Kearney
Scholarships due **March 16th**
Being a chaperone at band camp
is a very rewarding experience.
Please consider volunteering.
Room and board are provided.

\$350.00 per student
Any questions or paperwork
Contact Michelle at
michelle@GLNE.org
Thank you so much for your
support of the Masonic All-Star
Marching Band!



THE "ENDURING HOPE" CALENDAR



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

- Feb 4-6 .Grand Lodge at Younes Conference Center in Kearney
- Feb 13 Drive-up dinners, Cream Chicken dinner or Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, 4:30-7:00, \$8.00, Martha Washington #153, drive up and honk at 4430 N 70th St, Lincoln
- Mar 1 ESTARL Application deadline
- Mar 13 Drive-up dinners, Cream Chicken dinner or Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, 4:30-7:00, \$8.00, Martha Washington #153, drive up and honk at 4430 N 70th St, Lincoln
- Apr 1 Educational Loan deadline
- Apr 1 Masonic Youth \$1000 scholarships deadline
- Apr 10 Drive-up dinners, Cream Chicken dinner or Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, 4:30-7:00, \$8.00, Martha Washington #153, drive up and honk at 4430 N 70th St, Lincoln
- Apr 15-17 Grand York Rite at the Holiday Inn in Kearney
- May 11-13 Grand Chapter at Younes Conference Center in Kearney
- Jun 10-13 Grand Assembly at Doane University in Crete
- Jun 15-19 Job's Daughters Grand Session at Holiday Inn 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
- Oct 16-17 Masonic Youth Leadership Conference at Holiday Inn, Kearney
- Oct 29-Nov 5 50th Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter in Salt Lake City, Utah

Enclosed with this OES News:

- Letter from our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron
- The information and forms for the 2020-2021 Scholarship Program
- Travel Information for General Grand Chapter from Candy Martin, PGM (tour guide)
- Explanation of our different Dog Projects and Committees

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