



# Oregon Eastern Star Newsletter



## 2024-2025



Worthy Grand Matron  
Lanni Strong

**Time is going by so fast. We are about one-half of our Grand Adventure. We have so enjoyed visiting the Chapters all over Oregon. It is great to see all of the Chapters working so**

**hard for our beautiful order. Keep up the good work!**

**As we approach the holiday season, my wish to you all is that you can have the special time with family and friends. I plan to spend some very needed time with mine. Looking forward to a little down time to rest and recharge.**

**Keep up the good work that you do for our Order. I hope to see you all somewhere in our Adventures. Be sure to attend all of the Grand Visits that you can. It is fun to meet new people and rekindle friendships of those you haven't seen for a long time.**

**We really appreciate all the support you have shown us so far this year and look forward to continuing our Grand Adventure. Hope to see you all on the Adventure trail.**

**Happy Holidays to all!**

**Teddy Bear Hugs,**

**Lanni Strong     Worthy Grand Matron**



Worthy Grand Patron  
Tracy Harris

**The Adventure has been going on for 189 days. We are 52% done. It has gone by fast.**

**I started the Adventure with the mantra that every day was going to be a "Good Day". And they have. I have been to a couple chapters that I missed during Sister Lanni's School of Instructions. This Adventure is a great opportunity to visit each Chapter.**

**Christmas is approaching fast. It is a time for being with family and enjoying young children as they hope Santa Claus gets them that special gift. However, let us not forget that it is Jesus' Birthday and to pray for Peace on Earth.**

**Believe in the Adventure**

**Star Love**

**Tracy Harris**

**Worthy Grand Patron**



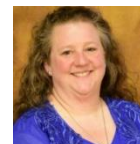
# 2024-2025 Grand Officers



**Assc. Grand Matron:  
Nancy Pugsley**



**Grand Marshal:  
Noydena Douglass**



**Assc. Grand Patron:  
Cleve Rolf**



**Grand Organist:  
Annie Camp**



**Grand Secretary:  
Mary Duncan**



**Grand Adah:  
Amber Dowell**



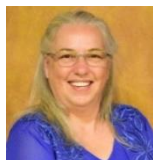
**Grand Treasurer:  
Shari Durgan**



**Grand Ruth:  
Sarah Hinkelman**



**Grand Conductress:  
Kim Avery**



**Grand Esther:  
Julie Harris**



**Assc. Grand Conductress:  
Marie Chambers**



**Grand Martha:  
Sue McMillan**



**Grand Lecturer:  
Gloria Varner PGM**



**Grand Electa:  
Alice Daniels**



**Grand Chaplin:  
Dick Southard**



**Grand Warder:  
Linda Barkley**



**Grand Sentinel:  
Billy Thompson**





# Grand Adventures



WGM Lanni and WGP Tracy with WM Susan Thomas and WP John Thomas PGP at the official visit at Hope Chapter #13 in LaGrande.



WGM Lanni and WGP Tracy with WM Ellen Onstad and WP John Donnelly II at the official visit at Evergreen #41 in Woodburn.



WGM Lanni and WGP Tracy with WM Amber Dowell (Grand Adah), and WP Craig Sipp PGP at the official visit where they initiated Ryan Dowell into Alpine Chapter #82,



# Grand Adventures



WGM Lanni and WGP Tracy with WM Sue Anderson of Redmond Chapter #109, WM Sarah Kryla of Central Oregon Chapter #23, and WP Martin Anderson PGP (WP of both Chapters) at their joint official visit in Prineville.



WGM Lanni and WGP Tracy with WM Amber Dowell (Grand Adah), and WP Craig Sipp PGP at the official visit at Alpine Chapter #82 in Sumter.



WGM Lanni and WGP Tracy with WM Suzanne Forde and WP Daryl Forde at the official visit at Josephine Chapter #26 in Grants Pass.



WGM Lanni with her escort Mark Strong and WGP Tracy with his escort Julie Harris enjoying a meal together at one of WGM Lanni's favorite places to eat during their adventures.



# Upcoming Events



All Eastern Star, Amaranth, Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters, DeMolay and individuals....

We are asking your help to make our Youth Scholarship/Leadership dinner a HUGE success!

Auction items are needed as a donation. If your Chapter, Court, Assembly, Bethel or DeMolay Chapter could donate a basket, box or other container filled with surprises, we would greatly appreciate that! Single items can be donated if they do not need to be in a container.

We are also holding a Dessert Dash (of sorts). We could also use donations of desserts from your Chapter, Court, Assembly, Bethel or DeMolay Chapter. Something sweet that is your favorite would be welcome.

Donations can be dropped off at the start of the afternoon about noon or after at the Shrine Center or you can contact Patti Nielsen at 503-956-9669 or Marissa Charlsworth at 541-890-2167 for other arrangements.

Thank each and every person who either attends or those who donate auction items for this event. We look forward to a fun filled evening and raising funds for our Youth Scholarship & leadership.

Thank you,  
Patti & Marissa





**You are invited to attend  
Annual Joint Youth Fundraiser Dinner & Auction**

Hosted by

Grand Court of Oregon, Order of the Amaranth  
Co-Chair, Patti Nielsen

Grand Chapter of Oregon, Order of the Eastern Star  
Co-Chair, Marissa Charlesworth

**Sunday, January 26, 2025**

**Wilsonville Shrine Center  
25100 SW Parkway Ave.  
Wilsonville, OR 97070**

**Social Hour – Bidding starts at 1:00 pm  
Dinner at 2:00 pm**

*There will be silent auction tables and a dessert auction!*

**Dinner menu:**

**Chicken Fettuccini, Garden Salad, Dinner Roll - \$16 per person**

**RSVP Deadline January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

RSVP to Patti Nielsen – [hlpatti320@gmail.com](mailto:hlpatti320@gmail.com) or 503-956-9669

Send payment with checks payable to:

Grand Chapter of Oregon, memo line – Youth Dinner

32700 SE Leewood Lane, Unit 3075

Boring, OR 97009





Order of Eastern Star

# Crab Feed



Chicken Available,  
must request at time  
of ticket purchase.

**Saturday, February 8, 2025**  
**Tickets \$40.00**

First sitting at 3pm  
Second sitting at 6pm

Sherwood Masonic Lodge  
22536 SW Washington Street  
Sherwood, Oregon 97145  
503 655-1118

Net Proceeds to Sherwood Order of Eastern Star

Not tax deductible



## OES Calendar of Events

**Thu Dec 12th** East Linn Lodge – Michael Frye to go in as Worshipful Master for his 1st time Dinner at 6:30 with ham, mashed potatoes & other yummy dishes. Lodge Meeting will be opened at 7:30 then they will take a recess so that they can open to the public for Installation. Then the public will be asked to retire while they go back to the meeting to do their closing. Please RSVP for the dinner to Laura or Michael Frye (lafrye68@gmail or b52bnav@gmail.com Address: 725 S. Second Street in Lebanon, OR. (Where Marguerite Chapter meets)

**Fri Dec 13th** Deadline for MasonicAid Giving Tree (see note below for information)

**Sun Jan 26th** Annual Joint Youth Fundraiser Dinner & Auction at 1:00 (Dinner 2:00) This was originally marked as Saturday – please make sure you have SUNDAY “You are invited to attend the Annual Joint Youth Fundraiser Dinner & Auction hosted by Grand Court of OR, Order of Amaranth Co-Chair Patti Nielsen & Gr Ch of OR, OES Co-Chair Marissa Charlesworth. Wilsonville Shrine Center at 25100 SW Parkway Ave in Wilsonville. Social Hour – Bidding starts at 1:00 pm with dinner at 2:00i. There will be silent auction tables and a dessert auction! Dinner menu: Chicken Fettuccini, garden salad, dinner role for \$16/person. RSVP deadline: Jan 17th. RSVP to Patti Nielsen hlpatti320@gmail.com Mail to Patti at 32700 SE Leewood Lane, Unit 3075, Boring, OR 97009. Checks made out to: “Grand Chapter of Oregon, OES” Phone: 503-956-9669.” SEE NOTE BELOW for Donations to the silent auction/dessert auction. Fri Feb 7th Deadline for Feb 21st DeMolay Annual Crab Feed (see below)

**Fri Feb 7th** Deadline for Feb 21st DeMolay Annual Crab Feed (see below) **Sat Feb 8th** Annual Crab Feed for Tigard Orenomah #174 Tickets \$40/person. Chicken available, must request at the time of ticket purchase. First sitting at 3:00 pm and second seating at 6:00 p.m. Sherwood Masonic Lodge at 22536 SW Washington Street in Sherwood, OR. Make checks out to “Tigard Orenomah #174 OES” and mail to Tom Killion at 6806 Marquette Dr, West Linn, OR 97068. Tom’s phone: 503-655-1118. No RSVP date, just mail the check and/or call Tom.





**Fri Feb 21st** DeMolay's Annual Crab Dinner at 5:00 in Wilsonville 5:00 Happy Hour and 6:00 Fun and Games. Dinner, Silent & Live Auction. Al Kader Shrine Center at 25100 SW Parkway Ave N. in Wilsonville, OR 97070. "Supporting the Oregon DeMolay Foundation" Tickets \$49. Table of 8 \$475. Tickets are limited. Checks made out to: "DeMolay Endowment Foundation of Oregon" and mailed to: Brad Henry at 17230 SW Withywindle Court in Durham, OR 97224. Deadline: Feb 7th

**Sun March 2nd** This is the NEW date for Reception for Grand Warder Linda Barkley This is just to remind everyone that page 12 of the Gr Ch Directory has it wrong.

**Sat May 3rd** Hands Across the Border 2025 (BC/Yukon/Alberta, WA/ID/MT/OR) Grand Chapter of BC/Yukon invite you to join in the heart of wine country in Penticton, BC. Theme: Northern Lights Gold Rush Trail. Host Hotel: Penticton Lakeside Resort & Conference Center. Further details will be coming soon. Letter went out Oct 2024 for preliminary information only.

**May 23-26th** DeMolay Oregon Convention in Pendleton 2

**Fri June 6th** Installation of Worshipful Grand Master Marc Strong Chinook Winds Casino Resort at 1777 NW 44th Street in Lincoln City, OR.

## **General Grand Chapter Relief Donations:**

Donations can be made "Grand Chapter of Oregon" and then put "GGC Relief for Hurricanes" and mail it to Grand Chapter and then it will be forwarded to General Grand Chapter.

## **Adarel Chapter #3:**

**As of October 21, 2024:** Adarel Chapter has changed their Bylaws and now will meet at 6:30, instead of 7:30. They will be dark July & January.



## **PAVE – Service Dog Committee Fall PUPdate**

**“HOWL-dy! I would like to introduce myself as one of the newest members of the Service Dog Committee along with Sister Charlene Ritter. My name is SHADOW. I am the black lab pictured above (on the original flyer) sent out 10/28/24). I am taking over for Zinc, Maizie & Valor who all served on the committee in past years. I look forward to meeting you. The WW4P will soon be holding a meeting to discuss fundraising for PAVE. We are asking for your help. If your Chapter is holding a fundraiser, please let the Committee know so that they can spread the word & attend. I, personally, have only been to a few & they are fun, fun, fun. That is because I get lots of treats while you all are playing bingo, bunco, etc. November & May are months that have holidays honoring our military. During these months, it would be a perfect time to hold a paper drive or coin drill for PAVE. But you can do this any month. I know that I have some big PAWS to fill & promise to work just as hard as the former K9 members. I wanted to do something to help raise funds for PAVE so I am going to copy one of Zinc’s ideas ie the matching challenge. I will match your coin drill/paper drives, up to \$100, for the months of November through May 15th . Mom says I am limited to \$2,000 in total matching funds. All you need to do is take up a collection for PAVE & let the SD Committee know by sending an email to: Lynn Rose at [L\\_ROSE2000@yahoo.com](mailto:L_ROSE2000@yahoo.com) with the date & amount. Once the amount gets posted by the Grand Treasurer, a matching amount will be sent. For those who attended the Daphne Bunco party last March, you may have met my friend Larsen, another handsome black lab who was being raised to be a guide dog for the blind. Larsen was not selected to be a guide dog & was donated to PAVE. Being super smart, he breezed through his training at PAVE & will be graduating soon. Update to follow to tell you about his Veteran & new name. All dogs are renamed with something military related. I hope you will help support these brave men & women who have done so much for us. They have sacrificed much for you & me. They have worked too hard for the American way of life to be deprived of it themselves. Thank you.”**



## **MasonicAid's Giving Tree**

**Deadline: Friday, December 13th .**

**The flyer was sent out by email on October 29th: "The holiday season is here once again, and our annual MasonicAid Giving Tree program is underway. MasonicAid has carefully selected 40 Masonic & Eastern Star members who may be in poor health, in need of financial assistance, or grieving the loss of a loved one, to receive a gift from the membership at Christmastime. If you would like to make a financial donation to one of our MasonicAid Sisters and Brothers, please select a member from the list." (again, this flyer was emailed out). You can either select a specific member from the list or have it go to "any MasonicAid member in need." Mail checks to: Oregon Grand Lodge at 2150 Masonic Way in Forest Grove, OR 97116. Payable to "Masonic Grand Lodge."**

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## **Grand Representatives announced:**

**Brother Fred Thomas III was presented with Grand Representative of Saskatchewan in Oregon on Oct 21, 2024. His commission expires Dec 31, 2026.**

## **Miscellaneous Chapter Information:**

**From Beaver Chapter #106: Stereo Package Raffle. Record player with built in Bluetooth speakers matching record holder, wireless headphones, cassette player/recorder, various vintage records & cassette tapes (valued at \$200+). Ticket cost: \$5 each with up to 100 tickets to be sold. The winning ticket will be drawn December 11th. Need not be present to win. For ticket info and questions contact Jennifer Wiseman at [jwiseman@yahoo.com](mailto:jwiseman@yahoo.com) or 503-332-0089.**

## **In Memoriam**

**Sister Beverly Christman passed away in September 2024. She was a member of Mt. Scott #110. She was initiated on Nov 21, 1999. Her memorial service is listed above on Dec 4th .**

**Sister Linda Dewey of Pioneer Chapter passed away Oct 3, 2024. Brother Del Schultz of Silver Wave Chapter passed away Nov 6, 2024.**

**Past Grand Matron Glenda Larkin passed away Nov 6, 2024. A Memorial will be sent out to the Chapters. Service to be held December 7th – see above.**

## **NOTE FROM BEAVERTON LODGE**

**In the past, the funeral home across the street has allowed parking in their lot as long as they were not having a service. Well, now they have a lot of other people using their lot and have said **NO PARKING** in their lot. They are hoping that things will change in a few months but please don't park there as they will have you towed.**