



Oregon OES Newsletter

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Noydena and the 2026 Grand Pages, sharing information!

Note from the Editor

The Newsletter is back! Thank you to those sending me articles and photos. As events happen, such as fundraisers, gatherings, receptions, etc., jot down information and send it to me. The more we have, the better it will become!

The next publication for the Winter Edition is set to release on February 1, 2027. If you would like to contribute, please send me your articles by January 25th. The email address is noydena@gmail.com.

In Star Love,
Noydena Douglass
Editor

Greetings from Naomi Chapter #22 (Dallas)

Worthy Matron, Karen Jacob Kondrasuk will start her 2nd year in a row and will be leading Naomi Chapter through this 2026-27 year. She will have as WP Bud Graham, it should be another great year! We are all looking forward to an exciting year of fund raising, fellowship and recruitment! Naomi Chapter #22 meeting on the 4th Tuesdays in Dallas, Oregon at Jennings Masonic Lodge. Come by and visit, attend the Chapter meeting and get to know the good folks who are members of this chapter!



Linda-Jean Bird and Pamala Chase at the Associate Grand Conductress reception

Greetings from Trinity Chapter #176 (Salem)

First, we got together for some fellowship and a great meal provided by our in-house Chef, Anthony Chase, Associate Patron and desert provided by Sister Cara Chalton, Star Point Ruth. You're missing out on great eats if you're not joining us!! We started our year off with our installation of officers for the 2026-27 season. After that, our first meeting got under way with our very own Elaine Laizure as our Worthy Matron and first time Worthy Patron, Michael Bendorf. Come visit our chapter on the 2nd Fridays of the month and see what we have planned for this year! Remember, we have been directed by the WGM and WGP to initiate at least 2 new members this year! We have new members who joined us at the end of last year and they have a great year to look forward to.



**Victoria Chapter at the WGM &
WGP Reception**



Victoria Chapter#76

Greetings from Victoria Chapter #76 (Turner)

Our year is just getting underway with our first meeting on Wednesday, September 9. We have with us our first time Worthy Matron, Kym White and our first time Worthy Patron, Robert Baugh, who have a great year planned out for us! Right out of the gate, we had our Worthy Grand Matron, Kim Avery (Victoria) and Worthy Grand Patron, Billy Thompson (Reames) Reception at Salem Scottish Rite on Sunday, September 13th. Such fun with the 50's theme and everyone came dressed in their finest Poodles and Leather Jackets!

Our first fundraiser of the year will be our Bingo Night and it is coming up quickly on Wednesday, September 30th, from 6pm to 9pm. This will be at Pearl Masonic Lodge in Turner, Oregon. Come join us for some Bingo, prizes, snacks and lots of fun! Our meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month and are themed! Our first meeting was National Teddy Bear day so we brought our Teddy Bears and WM Kym told us about how the Teddy Bear came to be! Our next meeting, Wednesday, September 23rd is crazy sock night! Looking forward to this one!!

PAVE Committee



A huge thank you to the members of Oregon Grand Chapter for all their support of the Pave Service Dog committee fundraisers in 2025-2026.

Thank you for playing bunco, bingo and pledging a cup for a pup. Thank you to the chapters who had paper drives at the end of their meetings for PAVE and those that donated to Pave in lieu of an installation or reception gift. These all add up to the total we were able to give to Paws Assisting Veterans at Grand Chapter.

This year, with your help, we donated \$25,504 to PAVE with another \$10,000 donated directly to PAVE by one of Stephen Barkley CPA's clients. That is over \$35,000!!! It takes \$25,000 to sponsor a veteran dog team and over the last seven years, Oregon has donated over \$220,000 to PAVE with at least another \$15,000 donated directly to PAVE.

Way to go Oregon Eastern Star! Let's keep this momentum going and raise even more money this coming year as the Dog is the WGM's fun symbol and the General Grand Chapter Officers are coming to Grand Chapter in June of 2027. We want Oregon to look good for WGM Kim, WGP Billy and WG Ruth Leslie Van Etten.

The PAVE committee revealed its new campaign during Installation season. For the 2026-27 year we are now known as the OES PAVE Paw Patrol. We will all be carrying PAW banks with us as we travel the state this year so find one of us and feel free to make a donation. We look forward to seeing you on the OES trail or at the next Bingo or Bunco game. If you would like the PAVE committee to visit your chapter, just ask one of us.

Let's work like dogs for PAVE!!!

Lynn Rose, Charlene Ritter, Linda Barkley, Kris Torrey, Gunner and Shadow.
PAVE PAW Patrol



Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Hosted by
Oregon Order of the Eastern Star
Service Dog Committee

November 15, 2026

9 AM - 12pm

Cost: \$10



Al Kader Shrine Center
21500 SW Parkway Ave
Wilsonville, OR 97070

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"Muttails" Mocktails
for purchase

50/50 Raffle and more

• Funds support •

Paws Assisting Veterans!

Through the Service Dog Committee



Open to the Public!





HEART DISEASE – THE SILENT KILLER!

Heart disease is the number one cause of death in America. Even though we say this, heart disease seems to take a back seat to other causes of death, such as cancer. The very thought of being diagnosed with cancer strikes fear and genuine dread in the minds of everyone. Yet, millions move through every day with a disease much more likely to have a detrimental effect on the quality and/or quantity of their life.

Heart disease comes in many forms. High blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, obesity, arrhythmias (irregular heartbeats), smoking and tobacco use, physical inactivity, etc. There is, of course, a genetic component in play but attention to lifestyle change is the best way to help reduce your risk.

My hope is that with this article you will be encouraged to evaluate your own life, recognize what you need to do to prevent or combat your own risk of heart disease, seek medical help and community-based programs as needed, and set personal goals toward heart health.

WGM Kim noted in her recent letter to the membership that there is a quilt, made by me, to be raffled for the Heart Fund. That is a true statement. The ‘Betsy Ross’ quilt is available. What she did not mention was that when you purchase a chance to win this quilt, I will match those funds with a donation to PAVE – the WGM’s Special Project. PAVE is now, and has always been, a project very near and dear to my heart.

So, please purchase a chance to win the ‘Betsy Ross’ quilt and support both Oregon’s Heart Fund and PAVE. This is a win, win!

In the meantime, take care of your heart and it will take care of you!

Much Love Always,



Anna Barclay
GGC Chairman Heart Committee
PGM Oregon

