

HOUSING RESERVATIONS

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL
Airport Holiday Inn
6111 Fleur Drive
Des Moines, IA 50321

Call reservations in to Holiday Inn Airport,
515-287-2400 and use code: *Eastern Star*

Or Reserve room online: Link will be on the
Iowa OES Web Page under Grand Session

Or Mail the housing form to: Holiday Inn
Airport, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa
50321 Attn: *Janice*

For questions/more information contact:

Deb Jones, Housing Chairman

Cell: 712-370-1027, Home: 641-342-4645

Email: gdwallin1@iowatelecom.net

King Room Rate of \$125.00/night plus
applicable taxes and fees

w/2 Queens Rate \$125.00/night plus applicable
taxes and fees

All Rooms are Non-Smoking

Reservation must be received at the Hotel
by October 15th

Pre-Registration Cut-Off date is firmly
October 25, 2024

After this date all registrations will be made at the
Grand Chapter Session



GENERAL INFORMATION

Pre-Registration Fee: \$15.00
Due by October 25, 2024

Registration after October 25th:
\$20.00 (Registrations after October
25th will only be accepted at the
session)

(ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE
NON-REFUNDABLE)

REGISTRATION – Iowa Membership

Airport Holiday Inn
6111 Fleur Drive
Des Moines, IA 50321

Pre-Registration with Enclosed
Form & Remittance To:

Grand Chapter of Iowa, OES
Nancy J. Ramthun, PGM
Grand Secretary
P.O. Box 72
Knoxville, Iowa 50138
641-842-2720

Registration check in hours:

Thursday November 7 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Friday November 8 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Saturday November 9 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

YOU MUST HAVE YOUR 2024 DUES CARD TO REGISTER

REGISTRATIONS WILL CLOSE
PROMPTLY AT 12:00 P.M. SATURDAY

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS AND
BOARD MEMBERS AT 1:00 P.M. SATURDAY

REGISTRATION - Out of State Guest

Airport Holiday Inn
6111 Fleur Drive
Des Moines, IA 50321

Thursday November 7 11:00 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.
Friday November 8 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Please refer to the enclosed form for the
courtesies extended to our Out-of-State
Distinguished Guest.

Pre-Registration must be made
with the Grand Secretary

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF IOWA
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Cordially invites you to join us at the

“LIFE IS A JOURNEY”

147th Session

November 7-10, 2024

Airport Holiday Inn

Des Moines, Iowa



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SOCIAL EVENTS

The deadline for meal reservations is **October 25, 2024**

All meal reservations are to be sent to the

GRAND CHAPTER OF IOWA

P.O. Box 72 - Knoxville, IA 50138

check or money order must be included.

Iowa Members, tickets will be mailed if you enclose a SASE.

Out-of-State Members, tickets will be in your
Registration Packet

NO MEAL REFUNDS GIVEN AFTER November 1, 2024

All meals during the session will be at
Holiday Inn

MEALS CHAIRMAN, Pat Burch

Cell: 515-201-9125 - paburch14@gmail.com

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7

- 9:00 AM **"Firefly 's Journey"** DI Breakfast (DI and Board of Custodians only) Host: Janice Alger, GC and Lori Rasmusson, AGC & DI
- 11:00 AM **"Adventure With Friends"** Travel Club (open to all) Host: Luke Reicks, Claudia Reed, Price \$30.00
- 6:30 PM **"Blessed Journeys"** All Membership Banquet
Chairman: Chris Brown DI & WM, Price \$46.00

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8

- 7:00 AM **"All American Tall Corn"** Breakfast, Open to Brothers
Host: Brian Beatty, Price \$30.00
- 7:00 AM **"Fruhstuche"** All membership Breakfast
Price \$30.00, Open to Sisters
- 11:30 AM **"Enjoy the Ride"** Grand Representatives Luncheon
Hosts: Hawkeye Links, Price \$35.00
- 11:30 AM **"It's Not the Destination"** Luncheon – (Open to all not attending Grand Rep. Luncheon)
Price \$35.00
- 4:30 PM **"Off to the Races"** "General Grand Banquet (open to all)
Host: Grant Bargfrede Price \$48.00

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9

- 7:00 AM **"P.A.G.O."** Breakfast
Hosts: 2022 Starlighters, Price \$30.00
- 7:00 AM **"Le petit dejeuner"** Breakfast (Open to all not attending PAGO) Price \$30.00
- 11:00 AM **"Our Journey to the East"** Line Officers Luncheon (Open to all)
Hosts: Janice Alger. Grand Cond, DI, and Lori Rasmusson, AGC, DI., Price \$35.00
- 11:00 AM **"Puppy Love"** Luncheon (open to all PGM/PGP)
Hosts: Jane Green, PGM and John Hauser, PGP
Price \$40.00
- 5:30 PM **"It's the Journey"** (Open to all), Price \$46.00

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10

- 10:30 AM ESTARL Brunch & Program
Host: Gail Dyer, Price \$35.00

PRACTICE SCHEDULE & INFORMATION

Board of Custodians (Practice Directors)
Polly Miller, PGM, President
Cheryl Payne, PGM, Secretary
Vicki Wallner, PGM, Member

ALL PRACTICES IN THE GRAND CHAPTER
ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

PLEASE BE PROMPT FOR ALL PRACTICES

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7

10:30 AM Instructions to Registration Committee
(Airport Holiday Inn)

Beginning 1:00 to 3:00 PM attend 1 or all

Organist Instructions, "We Got the Beat"
Share music and information and those who use a CD

Fellowship with Games "In the Pool Area"

Marketing/Chapter Concerns Meeting

"Brand Visibility" "Who out there is watching us?"
Focus groups with directed discussion about our "brand"
and marketing strategies

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8

- 9:00 AM Bible & Emblem Ceremony
- 9:30 Flag Tribute
- 10:00 Double March (Opening & Closing)
- 10:30 Grand Officers March (Opening & Closing)
- 11:00 Grand Officers Opening Ceremony
- 1:15 PM Draping/Memorial
- 1:45 Grand Officers Special Closing
- 3:30 Instructions** to Pages, Ushers, Assistant Sentinels (West end of Chapter Room)
(Dressed for Banquet)

PICTURES FOLLOWING 3:30 PM INSTRUCTION

Pictures: Grand Officers, Pages, Ushers,
Assistant Sentinels, Tellers
(Grand Chapter Room)

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9

- 9:30 Instructions to the Tellers
(West end of the Chapter Room)

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10

- 10:30 AM Installation Practice – Grand Chapter Room

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7

- 9:00 AM District Instructors Breakfast
11:00 "Adventure with Friends"
Travel Club Luncheon
- 5:30 General Grand Officers/Committee
Members Receiving line/Reception
- 6:30 "Blessed Journey" All Membership Banquet

Friday NOVEMBER 8

- 7:00 AM "Tall Corn" Breakfast- All Brothers
"Fruhstuck" Breakfast- All Sisters
- 9:00 Advisory Board Mtg, location TBD
- 11:30 "Enjoy the Ride" Grand Representative Luncheon
- 11:30 "It's Not the Destination" Luncheon, (open to all)
- 1:15 PM Prelude
- 1:30 Formal Opening
50-yr Members Honored
Crystal Anniversary Grand Family
Diamond Anniversary Grand Family
Fraternal Correspondence Report
Parade of Flags
- 4:30 "Off to the Races" General Grand
Banquet (open to all)
- 6:30 Prelude
- 6:45 Introduction of Grand Officers, Bible & Emblem Ceremony, Flag Tribute
Entrance of Grand Officers, Double March, Presenting of Distinguished Guest.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9

- 7:00 AM "P.A.G.O." Breakfast
"Le petit dejeuner" Breakfast #2 (all invited)
- 9:00 Prelude
- 9:15 Entrance of Grand Officers
Report of WGM, WGP, Grand Secretary
Grand Treasurer
Honor Marshals, Sentinels, Chaplains,
Salute Veterans.
- Present - WM & WP- Chapter 1-552
- 11:00 "Puppy Love" Luncheon (open to all PGM/PGP)
"Our Journey to the East" Line Officers
- Luncheon
- 12:15 PM Prelude
- 12:30 Entrance of Grand Officers
Report of Iowa Registration
Introduction of Tellers
- 1:00 Election of Grand Officers and
Board Members
Legislation and Business Reports
Presentation of the Projects 2025
- 5:30 "It's the Journey" Dinner (open to all)
- 6:30 Prelude
Grand Officers Intro./ Double March
Special Reports
Draping and Memorial

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10

- 8:45 AM Prelude
- 9:00 ESTARL Worship Service
- 10:30 ESTARL Brunch & Program
- 1:15 PM Installation - Grand Officers of 2024-2025
Closing of the 147th Annual Session