

## HOUSING RESERVATIONS

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL  
Holiday Inn/Airport  
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:  
Dannine Gnat, Housing Chairman  
Cell: 712-389-4352  
Email: dgnat@mchsi.com

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 23' 2025

Pre-Registration Cut-Off date is firm  
November 7, 2025

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



## GENERAL INFORMATION

Pre-Registration Fee: \$25.00  
Due by November 7, 2025

Registration after  
November 7<sup>th</sup>: \$30.00  
(Registrations after November 7<sup>th</sup>  
registrations will only be accepted at  
the session)

(ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE  
NON-REFUNDABLE)

## REGISTRATION – Iowa Membership

Holiday Inn/Airport  
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 13 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Friday November 14 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Saturday November 15 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

## YOU MUST HAVE YOUR 2025 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

Holiday Inn/Airport  
6111 Fleur Drive  
Des Moines, IA 50321

Thursday November 13 11:00 PM – 4:30 PM  
Friday November 14 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

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

## **“HOME SWEET HOME”**

### **148th Session**

November 13-16, 2025  
Holiday Inn/Airport  
Des Moines, Iowa



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## SOCIAL EVENTS

The deadline for meal reservations is **November 1, 2025**

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 4, 2025**

All meals during the session will be at

Holiday Inn

**MEALS CHAIRMAN, Pat Burch**

**Cell: 515-201-9125 - [paburch14@gmail.com](mailto:paburch14@gmail.com)**

### **THURSDAY NOVEMBER 13**

11:00 AM **"Country Picnic"** All Members luncheon

Price \$35.00

6:30 PM **"Country homecoming"** All Membership Banquet

Chairman: Heather Wogomon, DI & WM, Price \$49.00

### **FRIDAY NOVEMBER 14**

7:00 AM **"All American Tall Corn"** Breakfast, Open to all

Brothers - Price \$30.00

11:30 AM **"World Travelers"** Grand Representatives Luncheon

Hosts: Hawkeye Links, Price \$35.00

4:30 PM **"Memory Lane"** Dinner (open to all PGM/PGP)

Hosts: Ellen Knupp, PGM and Charlie Young, PGP

Price \$49.00

4:30 PM **"All Members Dinner"** – (Open to all not attending PGM/PGM Banquet) - Price \$49.00

### **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15**

7:00 AM **"P.A.G.O."** Breakfast

Hosts: 2023 Bucket Brigade, Price \$30.00

11:00 AM **"Country Roads, Take Me Home"** Gc & AGC Luncheon

Hosts: Lori Rasmussen, GC, DI., Kelly Walker, AGC, DI

(open to all members) - Price \$35.00

5:30 PM **"Home Sweet Home"** Dinner (Open to all), Price \$49.00

### **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16**

10:30 AM ESTARL Brunch & Program, ( open to all)

Price \$35.00

## PRACTICE SCHEDULE & INFORMATION

Board of Custodians (Practice Directors)

Cheryl Payne, PGM, President

Vicki Wallner, PGM, Secretary

Mary Reicks, PGM, Member

ALL PRACTICES IN THE GRAND CHAPTER  
ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

### **PLEASE BE PROMPT FOR ALL PRACTICES**

### **THURSDAY NOVEMBER 13**

8:30 AM Instructions to Registration Committee  
(Holiday Inn/Airport)

9:00 Grand Officers March (Open/Closing)

9:15-9:45 Double March (Opening/Closing)

9:45-10:15 Grand Officers Opening Ceremony

10:15-10:45 Bible & Emblem Ceremony

11:00 Lunch

1-1:30 PM Flag Tribute

1:30-2:00 Grand Officers Special Introductions

2:00-2:30 Grand Officers Special Closing

3:00 Instructions to Pages, Ushers, Assistant

Sentinels – West end of the Chapter Room

### **FRIDAY NOVEMBER 14**

9:00-9:30 AM Draping and Memorial

### **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15**

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

### **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16**

10:30 AM Installation Practice – Grand Chapter Room

## TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

### **THURSDAY NOVEMBER 13**

11:00 AM District Instructors Brunch

11:00 AM "Country Picnic" Luncheon

6:30 PM "Country Homecoming" All-Membership Banquet

### **Friday NOVEMBER 14**

7:00 AM "Tall Corn" Breakfast- All Brothers

9:00 Advisory Board Mtg, location TBD

11:30 "World Travelers" Grand Representative Luncheon

4:30 PM "Memory Lane" Dinner (open to all PGM/PGP)

4:30 "All-Members Dinner (open to all)

**1:15 PM Prelude**

1:30 Formal Opening

50-yr Members Honored

Crystal Anniversary, 2010 Faithwalker

Grand Family

Fraternal Correspondence Report

Parade of Flags

**6:30 PM Prelude**

6:45 Introduction of Grand Officers,

Bible & Emblem Ceremony,

Flag Tribute

Entrance of Grand Officers,

Double March,

Presenting of Distinguished Guest.

### **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15**

7:00 AM "P.A.G.O." Breakfast

**9:00 Prelude**

9:15 Entrance of Grand Officers

Report of Worthy Grand Matron

Report of Worthy Grand Patron

Report of Grand Secretary

Report of Grand Treasurer

Honor Stations – Secretary, Martha,

Sentinel, Organist

Present - WM & WP- Chapter 1-552

11:00 AM "Country Home, Take Me Home"

GC & AGC Luncheon

**12:15 PM Prelude**

12:30 Entrance of Grand Officers

Report of Iowa Registration

Introduction of Tellers

1:00 Election of 2026 Grand Officers and

Board Members

Legislation and Business Reports

Presentation of the Projects 2026

5:30 "Home Sweet Home" Dinner (open to all)

**6:30 PM Prelude**

Entrance of Grand Officers

Special Reports

Draping and Memorial

### **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16**

**8:45 AM Prelude**

9:00 ESTARL Worship Service

10:30 ESTARL Brunch & Program

1:15 PM Installation - Grand Officers of 2025-2026

Closing of the 148<sup>th</sup> Annual Session