





Words from the Worthy Grand Matron Stephanie Beall

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

What a whirlwind the past few months have been. We are enjoying our travels across this Jurisdiction and our visits with the membership.

It is wonderful to see so many announcements for fun activities and fundraisers! Thanks to all of you who are working to support our OES charities.

The January youth dinner held in partnership with the Grand Court of Amaranth was a resounding success with more than 120 people in attendance. Some of the youth leaders were awestruck to see so many folks come out to support them.

We look forward to the next leg of our Grand Journey and to seeing as many of our members as possible.

Yours in Star, Stephanie, WGM





Words from the Worthy Grand Patron Dick Varner

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

It's been a year since my cancer diagnosis and I'm going strong. The last set of scans were clear so the immunotherapy continues to work. It's research like that which we support which gives a new lease on life to many.

Grand Chapter is coming up fast. Hope to see many of you there. There are many things to do to make it successful. Let the WGM or me know if you're willing to do something at Grand Chapter.

Speaking of Sister Stephanie, she has been doing an amazing job for you. She loves the order and has been working hard to see that we do things right. I'm proud to be her WGP.

If I don't see you before then, join us in Pendleton for our Getting Back to Our Roots Session.

Yours in Star, Dick, WGP





Calendar of Events March 2024

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Jennings McCall Jefferson Room at 2300 Masonic Way in Forest Grove, OR.

Chair of FAITH Birthdays Committee: Sharon Kelley. 503-250-2161. Email: nydiasharonkelley@gmail.com

Sat Mar 9th Grand Representative/Ambassador Lunch at 11:30 am

Gervais Chapter location at 9222 Portland Road NE in Brooks, OR. RSVP by March 5th to:

Annie Camp at anniecamp@rocketmail.com \$11 pay at door.

Sat Mar 9th Memorial Service for Sister Dorothy Reilly at 2:00 p.m.

Sister Dorothy was a member of Parkrose and Friendship Rose. She passed away in Dec 2023. Her service will be at Parkrose Masonic Temple (where Parkrose meets).

Sun Mar 10th Deadline for Parkrose Chapter's 100th birthday (for the lunch)

Sat Mar 16th Reception for Grand Ruth Teri Garlock (Clatskanie) at Noon lunch

Clatskanie Masonic Hall at 82 SE 2nd Street in Clatskanie. Please RSVP with payment no later than March 1st to: "Wabanang Chapter #127" and mail to: Wabanang Ch #127, Attn: Grand Ruth, PO Box 525, Clatskanie, OR 97016. Questions? Contact email: wabanang127@gmail.com Price \$12. Menu: chicken salad/egg salad (vegetarian option)

on croissant, broccoli salad, deviled egg, fruit cup and lemon dessert.

Sat Mar 23rd Parkrose Chapter #151 – 100th Anniversary Celebration at noon

Parkrose Masonic Center at 4812 NE 102nd Ave (102nd & NE Sandy Blvd). Please RSVP by March 10th. Lunch at noon of sandwiches, salads, fruit, veggies, chips and special desserts. Program to follow. RSVP to Nancy Stanek 503-256-2915 or email: njas4@comcast.net. <u>Due to limited space: 70 maximum.</u>

Sun Mar 24th Grand Visitation at Gervais (with Adah & Naomi Chapters) at 2:00

Location: 9222 Portland Road NE in Brooks, OR. Special notes: Open LF, Escort, Good of the Order, Draping the Altar and Closing. This is not a regular Stated Meeting.

Tu Mar 26th Alpine Chapter's 2nd Annual "Soup Supper" from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Benefitting PAVE and Cancer Research. Sumpter Masonic Hall at 290 NE Columbia Street in Sumpter, OR. All you can eat \$10 (suggested donation). Meeting: 7:30.

Wed Mar 27th Victoria Chapter's "Soup for Cancer" from 5:00 – 7:00 pm

5140 Chicago in Turner, OR. Soup served 5-7:00 and all members are encouraged to stay for their regular stated meeting at 7:30. Donations accepted. All proceeds go to Cancer Research. "Come join us for good food, fun and fellowship."

Sat Mar 30th Daphne Ch 13th Annual Bunco for PAVE – doors open 1:00, start 2:00

Milwaukie Masonic Lodge at 10636 SE Main St in Milwaukie. \$10 to play. Refreshments provided. Silent Auction. Doors open at 1:00 with games starting promptly at 2:00. Text or call to RSVP a spot. Lynn Rose at 503-358-7179. In Memory of Maizie, Zinc and Valor, Dog House donations will be matched up to \$3,000! Money to support Service Dogs. No cash prizes.





- Mon Ap 2nd Adah Chapter Honor Night at 7:30 p.m.
 - Honoring: Anna Broxson, Gerry Brown, Mary Lou Gardner and Bud Graham.
 - Independence Masonic Lodge-301 Main Street in Independence. Refreshments after meeting.
- Sat Apr 6th Northwest Association Luncheon/Meeting 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
 - Abernathy Grange (where Pioneer Ch meets) at 15745 Harley Ave in Oregon City.
 - Baked potato bar. \$15/person. RSVP by March 25th to Jay Saatkamp: jsps4849@gmail.com
- Mon Apr 8th Grand Visitation/Honor Night for Grand Adah Erin Nemish at 7:30
 - "Calling all Shamrocks and Leprechauns! Join us for a celebration of Gr Adah" Evergreen Chapter #41 at Masonic Temple 145 Arthur Street in Woodburn, OR.
 - This will also be **Grand Visitation** for Evergreen #41. **Dinner for Gr Officers & Escorts only**.
- Thu Ap 11th Grand Visitation at Home Star only Home Star for this one! 2:00
 - Jennings McCall at 2300 Masonic Way in Forest Grove. The only Chapter is Home Star.
 - This is a change from the previous date listed in the Grand Chapter Directory.
- Fri Apr 12th Birthday Party at Jennings McCall at 2:00
 - Jennings McCall Jefferson Room at 2300 Masonic Way in Forest Grove, OR.
 - Chair of FAITH Birthdays Committee: Sharon Kelley. 503-250-2161. Email: nydiasharonkelley@gmail.com
- Sat Ap 13th Barzillai Chapter #16 2nd Annual High Tea at 3:00 p.m.
 - Catered by Carol Addison Lippert & Crew. Cost \$20/person. Checks payable "Barzillai #16" St. John's Masonic Lodge at 431 NW First in Albany, OR. RSVP to: Shirley Taylor to: 1468 Astor Way in Woodburn, OR 97071-2411. RSVP by March 25th. This goes into their
- General Fund for expenses including philanthropic gifts to Grand Chapter.
- Sun Ap 14th Reception --GC Nancy Pugsley & Gr Sentinel Cleve Rolfe lunch/Reception
 - Salem Scottish Rite at 4090 Commercial Street SE in Salem. Lunch at 11:30 \$20/each. Lunch will be baked potato bar with salads and desserts. <u>Please RSVP by April 9th</u> to "Della Rolfe" at 18060 Cheyenne Way in Tualatin, OR 97062. 503-717-2133
 - Reception to begin at 1:00.
- Tue Ap 16th Grand Visitation at Tualatin #31 (with Beaver #106) at 7:30 p.m.
 - Masonic Temple at 176 N. 2nd in Hillsboro. <u>Changed</u> from the previous listed in Directory.
- Sat Apr 20th Wabanang #127 is hosting "Spring Has Sprung Luncheon" at Noon
 - Where? American Legion Hall at 930 NE 5th Street in Clatskanie. Price: \$20/person. Speakers: Kris Torrey, Veteran with a PAVE Dog. Gerry Simmons, Veterans' Memorial Wall Progress. Lunch includes: chicken salad on salad greens with a roll, fruit garnish, layered dessert (w/sugar free option available) along with coffee or tea. Partial proceeds to benefit Clatskanie's Veteran's Memorial Wall & PAVE. Presented by Wabanang #127 Questions? email: wabanang 127@gmail.com
- Sat Ap 27th Bingo Night at Evergreen Chapter 3:00 to 7:00
 - 145 Arthur Street in Woodburn, OR. Meal & 5 tickets: \$10. Meal & 10 tickets: \$15 Extra tickets: \$1. Great prizes, lots of fun. All proceeds benefit PAVE.
- Sat May 4th Save the Date for "Hands Across the Border" in Post Falls, Idaho
 - Includes members from: Alberta, BC & Yukon with Idaho, Montana, Oregon & WA. Co-chairs: Jolene Cugley 541-530-2460 & Leslie Van Etten, PGM at 541-673-7025.





Sat May 4th Grand Representatives & Ambassador Group Meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Meeting starts at 11:30, lunch at noon, meeting resumes after lunch. Parkrose Masonic Ctr. (Where Parkrose Chapter meets) 4812 NE 102nd Ave in Portland, OR. Washington counterparts are invited to this meeting.

Sun May 12th Reception for AGM Lanni Strong & AGP Tracy Harris (La Grande)

Central Oregon #23, Esther #11, Hope #13 and Victoria #76 have the honor of inviting you to a brunch and Reception honoring AGM Lanni Strong & AGP Tracy Harris as they reveal The Adventurers' Grand Family. Brunch to begin at 11:00 am at Urban Vines at: 10101 W. 1st Island City. Reception starts at 12:30 at La Grande Masonic Hall at: 1303 ½ Adams in La Grande. Cost: \$20. Please RSVP with payment by May 1st to: Jean Spence at 10100 W. 4th Street, Island City, OR 97850. 541-656-6630. Checks payable: "Hope Chapter #13" Jean's email: jeanlacook@yahoo.com

- Tu May 14th
 Bushee Chapter Grand Visitation at 7:00 p.m. (originally was sch Oct 28th)
 Pendleton Masonic Temple at 1350 NW Carden Ave in Pendleton, OR.
- Fri May 17th Birthday Party at Jennings McCall at 2:00

 Jennings McCall Jefferson Room at 2300 Masonic Way in Forest Grove, OR.

 Chair of FAITH Birthdays Committee: Sharon Kelley. 503-250-2161. Email: nydiasharonkelley@gmail.com
- Sat May 18th

 Mt. Scott #110 is hosting an afternoon of painting & snacks to benefit PAVE

 Cost \$60/person which includes instructor led painting session, snacks and drinks.

 Lents Masonic Lodge at 5811 SE 92nd Ave in Portland (where Mt. Scott meets)

 1:00 –please RSVP by May 4th to patriciahearing@outlook.com. Checks should be made payable to "Mt. Scott #110" and mailed to Patricia Hearing at 6131 NE 52nd Ave in
- Wed May 29th Victoria Chapter's BINGO from 6:30 9:00 pm

5140 Chicago in Turner, OR. "Victoria Chapter cordially invites everyone to enjoy BINGO win prizes (hopefully) and share fellowship, coffee, dessert and snacks." All OES members, friends, family and neighbors, too.

Fri June 14th Birthday Party at Jennings McCall at 2:00

Portland, OR 97218.

Jennings McCall Jefferson Room at 2300 Masonic Way in Forest Grove, OR. Chair of FAITH Birthdays Committee: Sharon Kelley. 503-250-2161. Email: nydiasharonkelley@gmail.com

Sun June 16th Grand Chapter – start w/Sunday Service and All Membership Banquet
Mon Jun 17th Grand Chapter in Pendleton – Weds morning/Weds afternoon Installation

Sun July 14th All Masonic Picnic – save the date! Cottage Grove, OR

- Sat Sept 7th Reception for WGM Lanni & WGP Tracy at Salem Scottish Rite
- Sun Oct 5th

 Reception for Right Worthy Associate Grand Conductress Barbara Holmes

 Original "Save the date" for this received Oct 17, 2023. Barbie Holmes to be honored at Grand Chapter of Nevada with details to come later.





General Grand Chapter information:

<u>Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron Billie Bradfield's</u> husband, <u>Brother Bob Bradfield</u>, PGP of Arizona, passed away following his recent illness. Sister Billie and their children, Vivian, Jim, Jill and Jennifer were by his side. Cards may be sent to: <u>Billie Bradfield at 4473 El Paso Road North in Bullhead</u>, AZ 86429. (This was announced January 14, 2023)

Grand Chapter

Sister <u>Marie Chambers</u> has submitted her Letter of Intent for the Office of Associate Grand Conductress. Brother <u>Billy Thompson</u> has submitted his Letter of Intent for the Office of Grand Sentinel, heading to the Grand East with AGC Kim Avery on June 24, 2026.

Grand Representative Appointments

Brother <u>Art Borland</u>, from Reames Chapter #66, was announced as the new Grand Representative of <u>Rhode Island</u> in Oregon on November 8, 2023.

Sister <u>Ruth Hughes</u> from Newberg #55 was announced as the new Grand Representative of Arkansas in Oregon on November 16, 2023.

Sister **Sherry Loennig** was announced as the new Grand Representative of Florida in Oregon. She is from Creswell Star #96 and Esther #11.

From Associate Grand Matron Lanni Strong:

"Dear Chapter Members, I am writing to ask for your help. Tracy and I are in the process of asking people to be on Committees. If you have a Committee that you would like to serve on, please get in touch with one of us. We want to give you all a chance to serve our Oregon OES. Everyone on our Committees is very important to us and we are looking forward to having members serve on them. Please give me a call, text or emai or voice mail if you are interested and if you get a letter asking to be on a Committee, please say yes, as it is very important that information on them gets shared with our members. If you have any questions, please let me know." Lanni.strong@oregonoes.org

From Grand Warder John Heddle and Grand Sentinel Cleve Rolfe:

"Dear Sisters & Brother, we seriously need as many volunteers as possible to secure the 4 main doors into the Grand Chapter Room during "closed" Grand Chapter Sessions. To limit your "Tour of Duty" the shifts will be just 2 hours each. The shifts will be Monday morning 8-10:00, and 10:00-Noon. Monday afternoon 1:00 – 3:00 and 3:00 – 5:00. Tuesday morning 8-10:00, and 10:00-Noon. Monday afternoon 1:00 – 3:00 and 3:00 – 5:00. There are 4 doors with two people at each door (1 inside/1 outside) x 8 shifts = 64 people needed. Of course, you may sign up for more than one shift if you are willing to help more. Please contact Grand Warder John Heddle at john0941@gmail.com or 971-379-9850 or Cleve Rolfe at cleverdella1826@gmail.com or 971-281-8088. You may also sign up in the Happy Canyon Room at Grand Chapter."





Sweet in our memory:

Grand Treasurer Emeritus <u>Alvera M. Becker</u> (full memorial page was sent out): She was born Dec 20, 1928 and passed away at the age of 95 years old on Dec 24, 2023. She was initiated into Temple Chapter #140 on January 5, 1961 and was a 62-year member at the time of her death. A Memorial Service will be announced later, in the spring, according to her daughter Charlotte. Cards can be sent to: <u>Charlotte Barnhart at 3394 Saint Thomas Street in Eugene, OR 97408.</u> Charlotte has let me know that she wishes any donations in her mother's memory go to <u>MESH Care.</u>

Sister <u>Merri "Kitty" Carlisle</u> passed away on January 29th. She was a member of Tigard Orenomah and Barzillai Chapters. Her mother is Lyn Horine-Burgess.

Brother <u>Lee Noah</u> passed away on February 5th. He was a member of Doric Chapter and leaves behind his wife Debbie who is in memory care out at Jennings McCall and two daughters. His Celebration of Life is listed above for March 3rd.

In 2022, we had the privilege of having Grand Representative of Oregon in Missouri come to our Grand Chapter Session in Pendleton. Her name was <u>Jennell Fredrick</u>. We had a great time getting to see her enjoy coming to Oregon all on her own. We have found out that she has been diagnosed with <u>Stage 4 lung cancer</u> and it would be nice to send cards to her. <u>Jennell Fredrick at 824 E. Manchester Drive in Springfield, MO 65810.</u>

Notes for the Calendar of Events from Grand Secretary:

Grand Visitations are listed in the Grand Chapter Directory on pages 14-16. When there are changes, then I add them to the "Calendar of Events."

The "Installations List" will come out towards the end of May, after the Chapters have had their Elections.

If anyone thinks that something should be on this "Calendar of Events," don't hesitate to email me. GrandSecretary@oregonoes.org
Mary Duncan, Grand Secretary

Notes from the Editor of the Newsletter:

Thank you all for sending me the information for the Newsletter. It has been a pleasure putting this together for you. I will have everything back on schedule soon.

I have set up a new email for you to send the articles and information you would like to share with the OES family. Please send all information to oesnewsletter@gmail.com . I am looking forward to hearing from all of you.

Star Love... Sarah Kryla, Editor of the OES Newsletter





A Mason's Call to Support Youth Organizations

My first experience with Masonic youth organizations was when I joined DeMolay in high school. Even though my journey may have been short, it provided a strong background, and helped start my Masonic Journey.

The next opportunity was to get involved with Rainbow even before my daughters were old enough to join. I was asked to participate on the Rainbow board for Columbia Assembly No. 8 in The Dalles. I had no idea what I was



getting myself into but was immediately impressed with how the young women conducted themselves and held their meetings. Over the next several years, I was able to see how those girls began their Rainbow journey and transformed into confident young women conducting meetings and participating as statewide officers. Nothing could have prepared me for my first statewide Rainbow Assembly. I was completely worn out after the first day, but the energy was contagious.

I was so excited when my daughters were old enough to join and participate. As a father and a Mason, it



brought me great joy to see my daughters take on the challenges and grow from this wonderful Masonic youth organization. We moved from The Dalles to Union in 2000. The closest Rainbow Assembly was in Joseph, 80 miles away. I was dismayed to discover that there were no other Masonic youth organizations in eastern Oregon. I reflected on my experience growing up in Baker and the short time I had been in DeMolay.

With some effort from members of the Grande Ronde Valley Order of the Eastern Star and Lodge members, we took on the challenge of chartering a Rainbow Assembly in Union. I am proud to say that both of my daughters were charter members and went on to become Worthy Advisors and held several statewide positions.

The adage "our youth is our future" rings true. Lessons gleaned from DeMolay, Job's Daughters, or Rainbow endure for a lifetime. Many of these youth transition into Masonry and Order of the Eastern Star. I am very fortunate and proud that both my daughters and son followed this path.

Our support to our youth organizations is critical to their success. Whether you are a board member or just attend their meetings, it makes a huge difference. You may do some growing yourself. I encourage you to connect with our youth organizations any way you can and someday you may find yourself sitting in Lodge or Chapter with them.



See you on the Masonic trail.

Sincerely and Fraternally, M.W.B. Craig A. Sipp Grand Master, A.F. & A.M of Oregon





What is Happening in your Chapter

BINGO

Let's all yell "BINGO" and win some prizes!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Victoria Chapter #76 - OES cordially invites everyone to enjoy BINGO, win prizes (hopefully) and share fellowship, coffee, dessert and snacks.

Who: All Eastern Star members, friends, family and neighbors too.

When: May 29th starting at 6:30pm-9pm (or until the last game is played)

Where: Pearl Masonic Hall – 5140 Chicago Street, Turner Oregon



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2nd Annual SOUP SUPPER

hosted by
ALPINE CHAPTER, OES
Tuesday, March 26, 2024
6 to 7 PM

Paws for Veterans (PAVE) and Cancer Research

at
Sumpter Masonic Hall – 290 NE Columbia St.

All You Can Eat \$10 (suggested donation)









Soup for Cancer March 27, 2024

Victoria Chapter #76 5140 Chicago Turner, OR 97392



Soup served from 5-7
Encourage all who wish to attend regular meeting to follow at 7:30 pm.

Donations Accepted
All Proceeds are going to Cancer Research

Come join us for good food, fun and fellowship





Daphne Chapter's 13th Annual Bunco Party Supporting Service Dogs







Please join us on
Saturday, March 30, 2024
at
Daphne Chapter #139
Milwaukie Masonic Lodge
10636 SE Main St, Milwaukie



\$10 to play no cash prizes Refreshments provided Silent Auction Doors open at 1 pm Game starts promptly at 2 pm





TEXT or CALL to RSVP a spot: Lynn @ 503-358-7179

In Memory of Maizie, Zinc and Valor Dog House donations will be matched up to \$3,000!











Service Dog Committee Winter 2024 PUPdate

Welcome back! The BARKlets are back again serving on the Service Dog Committee. We had so much fun last year that Lynette Lesire, Gervais Chapter, Linda Barkley, Beaver Chapter, and Lynn Rose & Zinc, Daphne Chapter, I decided to stay on for another year. But we now have a new name and song. In keeping with the Nature's Wonders theme, the BARKlets are now known as the WONDER WOMEN for PAVE (WW4P). We had our debut at the WGM and WGP reception. Debut included showing off our new red capes, presenting WGM Stephanie with her own red cape, presenting WGP Dick with a purple cape and new Super Hero name, NATURE MAN (a Super Hero from the 1950s). We ended by singing our new theme song which uses the tune "Wonder Woman, Wonder Woman" from the 1972 tv show. Check it out on the OES Facebook page. It is guaranteed to bring a smile which is one of our missions.









On September 23, 2023, Kris and Gunner officially became members of Eastern Star and were initiated into Daphne Chapter. WGM Stephanie just happened to have her red cape handy and joined in singing our WW4P song to Kris and Gunner. Needless to say he was speechless and probably wondering what he got himself into.

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

THANK you to all who PAW-ticipated in PUParazzi with your photos & votes at Grand Chapter 2023. PUParazzi raised \$839 for PAVE!! Thank you FURRY much for your generosity & support of PAVE & our Veterans.

Wabanang Chapter hosted a dinner with music & auction to benefit PAVE & local Veterans' Memorial Wall in Clatskanie. The event was advertised & brought non-Masonic people. Also assistance was provided by a local school. This was an excellent opportunity to show the community some of the charitable projects OES supports. Not only did Wabanang raise a lot of money, but this could result in new members. Wabanang did a PAWS-itivity FUR-nominal job!

Santa Paws was held again at Beaverton Lodge in December. Here's a few of our favorite photos.













The Service Dog Committee is here to help as well as ask for your help. We look forward to hearing about upcoming fundraisers at your chapters so that we can spread the word and attend. We wish you great success in your efforts. REMEMBER YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A VETERAN!





Barzillai Chapter #16 Invites you to their 2nd Annual High Tea



Catered by Carol Addison Lippert & Crew

Cost: \$20.00

Make checks payable to Barzillai #16

St. John's Masonic Lodge 431 NW First Albany, OR

RSVP to Shirley Taylor Deadling: March 25, 2024 1468 Astor Way Woodburn, OR 97071-2411





Luncheon with Reception for Teri Garlock, Grand Ruth

Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Time: 12:00 (noon) for Luncheon

Location: (Updated) Clatskanie Masonic Hall at

82 SE 2nd Street, Clatskanie

All events for the reception will be at the

Masonic Hall.

Price: \$12.00

Menu: Chicken Salad/Egg Salad (Vegetarian

Option) on Croissant, Broccoli Salad,

Deviled Egg, Fruit Cup, and

Lemon Dessert

Please RSVP with payment no later than March 1, 2024 to Wabanang Chapter #127, Attn: Grand Ruth, PO Box 525, Clatskanie, Oregon 97016. Questions? Please contact us at wabanang127@gmail.com.









ESTHER NO. 11, VICTORIA NO. 76,

CENTRAL OREGON NO. 23, AND HOPE NO. 13

CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO A BRUNCH AND RECEPTION HONORING

LANNI STRONG, AGM

AND

TRACY HARRIS, AGP
AS THEY REVEAL THE ADVENTURERS' GRAND FAMILY
ON SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024
BRUNCH AT 11:00 A.M. AT URBAN VINES,
10101 W 1ST ST., ISLAND CITY
RECEPTION AT 12:30 P.M. AT LA GRANDE MASONIC
HALL, 1303 ½ ADAMS AVE., LA GRANDE

PLEASE RSVP, WITH PAYMENT, BY MAY 1, 2024, TO

JEAN SPENCE, 10100 W 4TH St., ISLAND CITY, OREGON 97850

<u>JEANLACOOK@YAHOO.COM</u>, 541-656-6630

COST \$20.00

DIRECTIONS FOR BOTH THE BRUNCH AND RECEPTION ARE ENCLOSED







In Your own Words

Shared Words from OES Members

News from Alpine Chapter #82

Some say that folks who live in Eastern Oregon are hardy, others—fool-hardy. Come visit Alpine sometime and figure that one out yourself. In the meantime, Alpine members have been doin' their 'thing.'

Early this year it was time to plan our Friendship/Honor Night. The theme was super heros. Which had our member Dotty Miles thinking that fit right in on a fund-raising idea she had presented the month prior. And so the challenge was on—to prepare and serve a souper supper fund-raiser for PAVE and Cancer Research prior to our March 28th meeting.

Six members offered making batches of their favorite soup or chowder while others said they'd fill in with crackers, garlic bread, and brownies (Myron Miles' sourdough kind).

Now, through many years, for some weird happenstance, during the winter months when a special event has been planned in Sumpter, it tends to snow.

So, as per *normal*, plans came together, publicity had peaked people's interest and, wow, we received over 7 inches of fresh snow before the storm slackened. Two Sumpter residents (who later were at the dinner) asked about helping out with snow removal that afternoon. They did a great job of making it possible to get up the hill and into the parking area of the Masonic Hall.

Oh, I must mention that WGM Laura Frye was on the road that day to make her official visit at Alpine. She white-knuckled it up our valley and arrived safely that late afternoon.

The souper supper was a success, considering the weather. No *wimps* were in attendance, but the dining room was filled nearly to capacity and we raised almost \$300 to share 50/50 with Cancer Research and PAVE. After dinner, Alpine's WP Dick Southard spoke to our guests about the charities they were supporting. And then one of our guests, who came with his service dog, shared about having a service dog. No plan could have done it better.

After thanking our guests for their support and tidying up the kitchen, Alpine members held their meeting and

honored their super heros GCMs Sherri Sipp, Charitable Giving, and Nancy Myers, Focus, and Grand Representatives PGP Craig Sipp, GR of DC in Oregon and Casi Lee, GR of NH in Oregon, and shared a fine evening with WGM Laura Frye.

Our Worthy Patron thinks we should do the soup supper annually, but during more favorable weather.

Blythely yours, Nancy Myers, secretary







COME PAINT WITH US!

Mt Scott #110 Order of the Eastern Star is hosting an afternoon of painting and snacks to benefit PAVE (Paws Assisting Veterans).

Cost: \$60.00 per person (which includes instructor led painting session, snacks and drinks)

SATURDAY, MAY 18 AT 1PM

Lents Masonic Lodge 5811 SE 92nd Avenue, Portland, OR

Please RSVP to: <u>patriciahearing@outlook.com</u> by May 4th. Checks should be made payable to: Mt Scott #110 and mailed to: Patricia Hearing, 6131 NE 52nd Ave, Portland OR 97218





OES Charities Year to Date

PAVE: \$11,388.53

CANCER RESEARCH: \$10,983.58

YOUTH PROGRAMS: \$5,418.18

- Job's Daughters International
- International Order of Rainbow for Girls
- The Order of DeMolay

SCOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

- ESTARAL: \$1,828.62
- Dorothy M. Doing Endowment: \$610.00

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- ALS: \$68.00
- Shrine Patient Transportation: \$2,049.50
- Heart Fund: \$1,230.00
- Alzheimer's Research: \$25.00
- Diabetis Contributions: \$410.00

MASONIC AID:

- Home Endowment: \$411.00
- MESH Outreach: \$180.50

FAITH

- Christmas Donations: \$1,776.00
- Faith Other: \$629.00

Miscellaneous

- Regenerative Medicine: \$686.71
- Benevolent Fund:
 - o Corpus: \$135.00
 - o Readily Available: 20.00